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Report: Girls more likely to be bullied

In Ontario. 28 per cent of girls said they were victims of cyber-bullying compared to 15 per cent of boys

A report from the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health has found girls in Ontario are nearly twice as likely to be victims of cyber-bullying than boys.

The finding marks the first time the centre asked Ontario students about cyber-bullying in 35 years of surveying youth about their mental health and well-being — and one in five students said they were victimized online.

The report released Tuesday also found that girls are more likely than boys to be bullied in school.

"What's changed is who's doing it to whom and the girls are reporting more of it than the boys are," said Dr. David Wolfe, a lead researcher on the report who is CAMH's chair in Children's Mental Health.

"It appears that boys are decreasing it. Maybe they're getting a new message about it, but girls are picking up the slack."

Researchers surveyed 9,288 students from Grades 7 through 12 in 181 schools across Ontario between October and June of last year.

"Girls bully with their social relationships and boys tend to do it more one on one and with more intimidation," said Wolfe.

"That's possibly why the cyber-bullying is increasing for girls, because it's easy for them to spread rumours and to do the same things that they were doing before, but even on a bigger scale."

When surveyed about their time spent at school, 31 per cent of girls reported being victimized, compared to 26 per cent of boys.

Those analyzing the report said the numbers could shed new light on understanding bullying and measures to combat it.

"I suspect that the anti-bullying programs have been largely focused on boys, because that's what we knew about bullying," said Wolfe.

"But we've forgotten what girls need in this process and they're not totally innocent in this respect either."

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CO-OP TO BUTT OUT

Trevor Haché, chair of Conservation Co-op's second-hand-smoke committee, is glad that in six months his newborn son Malcolm will be able to breathe cleaner air. The Mann Avenue building passed a bylaw that will prohibit smoking in units and balconies. Story, page 3. JOE LOFARO/METRO

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Ontario Public Health

Carp under boil-water advisory

Ottawa Public Health said the 1,800 Carp residents affected by Sunday's breakdown of a well should let water boil for at least one minute before using it to consume, brush teeth, or rinse dishes. JOE LOFARO/METRO

StatsCan report

Ottawa's crime on the decline

Violent crime is on the decline despite a recent spate of shootings in Ottawa. According to a Statistics Canada report released Tuesday, Ottawa saw a six per cent drop in violent crime in 2011 over the year before. METRO

Missing person

Calabogie search for man wraps up

A two-day search for a missing Ottawa man in the Calabogie area — where he may have visited — has yielded no results. Police searched the waterway for Fouad Nayel, 28, who didn't return from a Petawawa trip on June 17. METRO

St. Laurent Boulevard

Cable-man imposter sexually assaults woman

Police arrested a 33-year-old man on Saturday after someone posed as a cable repairman to get into a woman's home and sexually assaulted her. After the woman let the man into her home on St. Laurent Boulevard he groped her and a confrontation ensued, police said. The woman was able to force the man to leave and called police, said Sgt. François D'Aoust.

Police are warning people to confirm with the company that a technician has been sent. Joseph Khalife is charged with one count of sexual assault and one count of being unlawfully in a dwelling. JESSICA SMITH/METRO

Co-op passes bylaw to go 100 per cent smoke-free

Prohibited. Policy barring smoking in co-op units and on balconies is first of its kind in Canada, says committee chair

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A downtown Ottawa co-op is set to become 100 per cent smoke-free and is giving residents six months notice before the new rules take effect.

Residents at the Conservation Co-op at 140 Mann Ave. voted last Thursday 73 per cent in favour of a new anti-smoking bylaw that will take effect Jan. 13. After that date, smoking will not be permitted in the units or on the balconies.

To get residents accustomed to the bylaw, the co-op will allow smokers to light up at three designated outdoor spaces near the garden at the rear of the building for one year.

At the end of that year, the board will reconsider the designated spaces.

Trevor Haché, Conservation Co-op resident and chair of the board of directors' second-hand smoke committee, said if a dispute between a resident and the board cannot be settled, an eviction may be a "last resort" solution.

"It's important to recognize that one person's freedoms can sometimes impact other people's health," said Haché.

"While someone might believe they have the right to put that toxic-air contaminant into our shared environment, once (it) starts impacting other people, that person's right starts to butt up against the other person's rights to breathe clean air."

Haché said his co-op will be the first in Canada to become 100 per cent smoke-free. He added that he expects most residents to comply with the bylaw, just as most smokers are complying with the city's anti-smoking bylaws on municipal properties.

Not all of the residents agree with the new policy, though.

One resident, who declined to give her name out of fear of being shunned by the co-op, said she did not know there was a vote being held on the issue. The bylaw goes too far, she said, by prohibiting smokers like herself from smoking on their own balconies.

"(Smoking) is hazardous, we get it," she said. "But this is a little too extreme. I'd like to see how it goes."

Chantelle Rieger, another resident who is a smoker, also did not vote on the bylaw. She said she has been a smoker for the past four years, but does not plan on moving out because of the new bylaw.

"For me it's going to help me quit (smoking), so I'm kind of glad it's coming into effect."

Trevor Haché, Conservation Co-op resident and chair of its second-hand smoke committee, stands in one of the few spaces that are designated for smokers. JOE LOFARO/METRO

Resident reaction

"It might help people quit smoking, but I don't see why we're not allowed to smoke on our balconies, which is outside."

Resident Chantelle Rieger, on the new smoke-free bylaw at the co-operative

Tweets

- **@wwwbikerider.** balcony smoking is worse! It swirls right in the open windows..you cannot sit outside or inside w/o breathing 2nd hand smoke!
- **@ChrisGZuger.** @metroottawa: An Ottawa co-op is banning smoking inside and out." Fascism comes to Ottawa

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Bale rises to occasion

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Lights back on, brush fire out after storm

People walk in the rain during a severe storm in Ottawa Monday. The storm helped to put out the Moodie Drive fire, firefighters said. JESSICA SMITH/METRO

Precipitation welcome.
Crews find no hotspots at Moodie Drive site

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A storm that downed trees, started a few small fires with lighting strikes and battered East Ottawa with large hailstones had one big benefit — it helped put out the huge brush fire on Moodie Drive.

Fire crews completed a thorough assessment of the Moodie Drive fire site Tuesday and found no hotspots, said spokesperson Marc Messier. Before the rain fell, firefighters were still putting out hotspots and flare-ups in the 120-acre area that began burning on July 12.

"The rain we received yesterday appears to have assisted our efforts at the Moodie Drive fire," Messier said. "However, fire risks in the Ottawa area remain extreme."

The storm took out power to about 14,700 homes, according to Hydro Ottawa. The longest outages left Munster without power until Tuesday afternoon because crews had to clear away downed trees before the power could be restored. Homes in other areas were without power for up to nine hours.

Local crops affected

NDP fears drought's affect on food prices

The rain that soaked Ottawa Monday is not enough to save some local crops from drought, and the NDP is worried about what that will do to the price of food.

"This drought will have serious consequences and the minister must act now to develop a plan to help mitigate the impact on farmers," said NDP deputy agriculture critic Ruth Ellen Brosseau.

A spokesman for Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz said the government has programs to help farmers weather the dry spell financially and that it's still too early to know what impact the drought will have.

GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

Charges.
Man accused of posing as lawyer, defrauding clients

A 32-year-old man is accused of posing as a lawyer and defrauding clients of more than $1.6 million.

On July 19, Ottawa police charged Neil Shah, also known as Deep Singh Shah, with eight charges including fraud over $5,000, money laundering and forgery. The alleged incidents occurred between 2011 and 2012.

According to court documents, Shah is accused of defrauding two people of nearly $300,000 by posing as a lawyer in a civil court case. He is also accused of defrauding a third person of more than $1.3 million by claiming to represent her in an estate settlement and a life-insurance settlement.

Police allege Shah operated a law office on Laurier Avenue, and believe there may be more victims. Anyone who has had dealings with him is asked to contact Det. Tracy Turpin at 613-236-1222 ext. 5161. JESSICA BEDDAOUI/FOR METRO

Earlier

- Shah also faces charges dating back to 2010 of defrauding two people of $390,000. He's accused of pretending to broker a business deal for manufacturing pharmaceuticals.

During the month of Ramadan, sweet chef Ram Yadav, left, will use 1,000 litres of milk and more than 663 kilograms of sugar at Rakesh Walia's Indian Express. GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

Shop adds sweet note to Ramadan traditions in city

A treat after sunset. Customers flock to Indian Express to help break their fast during the holy month

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South Asian Muslim families break their fast during the month of Ramadan with samosas, pakoras and colourful sweet meats, but the latter had been hard to come by in the city, until Indian Express opened up.

"They're the only ones who make Indian sweets in Ottawa," said customer Arshad Saeed, who grew up in Pakistan. "It's the type of stuff I used to eat growing up."

Saeed said the sweets play a large role in his family's Ramadan tradition as the sugar helps to quickly bring up their blood sugar after a long day of fasting. It also allows him to share a piece of his heritage with his two grown children, he said.

"I go to Indian Express once a week during Ramadan to buy sweets," he said.

There's such demand that this year Indian Express owner Rakesh Walia has doubled production to feed his hungry Bengali, Pakistani and Sri Lankan customers. "Last year we made 2,000 pounds," he said, "but this year we will make 4,000 pounds for Ramadan."

Walia has been able to double production thanks to sweet expert Ram Yadav, whom he travelled to India to recruit.

"I found him in a famous Punjabi sweet shop," he said. "It makes customers feel at home here. They tell him that the sweets he's making here are even better than in India."

Quoted

"My favourite is the Burfi made of milk and sugar. It used to be you could only get them from Toronto."
Customer Arshad Saeed

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Beyond the Pale. Hintonburg to be hoppin' with new brewery this fall

Ottawa beer lovers are in for a flavourful treat as two local buddies ready Beyond the Pale, a new Hintonburg brewery set to open this fall.

"We like big, flavourful beers," said co-owner Rob McIsaac. "We're going to do more crazy beers and we're OK with that. We're smaller and more nimble and can experiment with flavour."

Right now brewmaster Shane Clark has nailed down four recipes for when they open this September, but there are another 11 or 12 that he's toying with.

"We're coming out with a six per cent stout called 'The Darkness,'" he said. "But I've also got some bourbon barrel stuff planned for the next little while."

Clark's dad Al will man the counter and teach locals who stop by about beer while offering up samples.

"We wanted to give a local option to the Hintonburg area," said McIsaac. "Something that's right around the corner."

GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

A new Hintonburg brewery called Beyond the Pale is set to open this September. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

Intervention.
Expelled Syrian priest seeks action in Ottawa

A priest expelled from his monastery in Syria is scheduled to meet Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird in Ottawa Wednesday — and is planning to ask him to get Canada to intervene and help stop the bloodshed in the troubled Middle East country.

"I will try to convince him to take action," said Father Paolo Dall'Oglio from Washington Tuesday. "We need UN forces on the ground together with a no-fly zone in order to protect the civilians."

Dall'Oglio worked on Christian-Muslim co-operation from his Monestary in Syria for 30 years until he was expelled for criticizing the regime, he said.

"I was asking, with our youth, for freedom and democracy and decency for human beings," he said.

"I had been denouncing the aggression on wounded people, on hospitals, on doctors, on nurses," he added.

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CSIS agent testifies in security-certificate case

Court. Mohammad Mahjoub has been held for 12 years under controversial system

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A retired spy testified Tuesday about his work on a security-certificate case against an accused terrorist — and told the court at the time he didn't know what a security certificate was.

Known as CSIS (Canadian Security Intelligence Service) Witness No. 3, the agent testified in a federal court in Ottawa via video link from Halifax, his face obscured from the public, about his role in the case against Mohammad Mahjoub, who has been detained under the controversial security-certificate system for 12 years. Security certificates allow the federal government to detain or deport immigrants for national-security reasons without publicly disclosing the evidence against them or laying charges.

CSIS hired Witness No. 3 to update the information used to hold Mahjoub after the Supreme Court of Canada ruled the certificate process unconstitutional and the government revised the law in 2007.

The witness testified he had worked in intelligence for decades, but didn't know what the security-certificate system was at the time — despite extensive news coverage. He also said he had no expertise in Egypt, where Mahjoub is from.

The witness had an assistant who helped him with Internet research because he "had very little high-speed computer techniques," he said.

Testimony

The witness said there was no evidence the information against Mahjoub had been obtained from torture, but testified that he did not know that CSIS had been using torture-based information when the case was established.

Mohammed Mahjoub arrives at Federal Court in Ottawa on Tuesday.
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'Shameful ... scary'

CSIS expertise questioned

The wife of an Ottawa man accused of terrorism and held on a security certificate for the past 10 years attended Mohammed Mahjoub's hearing and was upset by what she heard.

Sophie Harkat is married to Mohamed Harkat, who has been fighting his case in the courts for a decade and is currently waiting to hear if the Supreme Court will hear a second appeal. The federal government did not allow CSIS agents with direct involvement in his case to testify in court, only an expert who offered general testimony about the agency, she said.

"It makes me question how reliable are those so-called CSIS experts," she said. "He had no clue what a security certificate was in 2007. All of the cases were high-profile in 2002. It's shameful and it's scary."

Harkat was under house arrest in Ottawa Tuesday, but said he would have liked to watch the cross-examination of the CSIS agent.

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Bev Oda. Taxpayers repaid for lavish spending 5 times

Bev Oda
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Former Conservative cabinet minister Bev Oda reimbursed taxpayers for inappropriate travel and hospitality expenses incurred on five separate occasions following revelations of her lavish spending while attending an international immunization conference in London last year.

"The former minister's expenses were re-examined and all inappropriate expenses were repaid," Stephanie Rea, now director of communications for the newly appointed International Co-operation Minister Julian Fantino wrote in an email on Tuesday.

Oda came under fire this spring after the Canadian Press reported she had switched her reservation from the five-star Grange St. Paul's Hotel to the more expensive Savoy, hired a chauffeur to drive her around in a luxury car and bought a glass of orange juice for $16 while in London in June 2011.

The Star obtained documents showing that Oda had four other expense claims dating back to 2007 altered soon after the story appeared.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Chase gone wrong

Man dead, officer hurt after fall into Niagara Gorge

An injured Niagara Regional Police officer and the body of a man have been pulled from the Niagara Gorge after both went over a retaining wall late Tuesday afternoon.

The police officer was the first pulled about 30 metres out of the gorge in Niagara Falls.

The officer had sustained a broken leg and was airlifted to hospital in Hamilton. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Aurora families begin planning funeral services

Reactions. Family members examine suspect's behaviour

The families of those killed in the Colorado theatre massacre planned their final goodbyes Tuesday, their anger stirred by the sight of suspect James Holmes in court with dyed orange hair and glassy eyes.

Robert Blache watched footage from Holmes' court appearance with his injured daughter Christina, who was shot in both legs. "He doesn't look surprised at any of it, but he seemed amazed at what was happening. I'm pretty sure he's not sane," Blache said.

After Holmes was led back to solitary confinement, victims' families were left to plan funerals for as early as Friday.

Batman star Christian Bale, meanwhile, visited victims of the shooting Tuesday.

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Ashley Deuell, 18, kneels next to a cross and family photo of friend Gordon Cowden, at a growing memorial to the victims of last Friday's mass shooting in Aurora, Colo. TED S. WARREN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Three men arrested at screenings

At least three men accused of making threats during or after watching the new Batman movie have been arrested in separate incidents. Moviegoers in Arizona panicked when a man who appeared intoxicated was confronted during a showing of the movie. About 50 people fled the theatre.

A Maine man was arrested when he told authorities that he was on his way to shoot a former employer a day after watching The Dark Knight Rises. The man had been stopped for speeding, and a police search found an AK-47 assault weapon, four handguns, ammunition and news clippings about the mass shooting.

In California, a man was arrested after witnesses said he made threats and alluded to the shooting when the movie didn't start.

Police were also called to a cinema in Norwalk, Calif., after moviegoers said Clark Tabor shouted: "I should go off like in Colorado."

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Targeting a killer: 150 groups seek a global ban on asbestos

A $58-million provincial loan and private investment could keep the Jeffrey open-pit mine in Asbestos, Que., operating for years, opponents say.
JACQUES BOISSINOT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quebec assailed. Its $58-million loan called a 'shameful display of disregard for science' by Colin Soskolne, one of those backing a ban

A global ban on asbestos was demanded Tuesday by more than 150 international and Canadian organizations and individual scientists.

The call for the ban comes after last month's announcement by the Quebec government that it would lend $58 million to help reopen the Jeffrey mine in Asbestos.

"The science is clear that all forms of asbestos cause ill health and premature death," said Colin Soskolne, a professor in the School of Public Health at the University of Alberta and one of those calling for the ban.

"According to the World Health Organization, over 107,000 people die each year from working with asbestos of any type," added Soskolne

Asbestos opponents are urging major producers — Brazil, Canada, Kazakhstan and Russia — to put an end to mining and exports and help communities make the transition to a different industry.

"This immoral practice of exporting it, particularly to developing countries when we refuse to use it at home, is immoral and unacceptable to people in the field of public health," Soskolne said in a telephone interview.

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Order of Canada

Black wants an oral hearing

Conrad Black says it would heap "insult upon injury" to strip him of the Order of Canada over his U.S. convictions.

No Canadian court would have found him guilty, he says.

The former media magnate tells the Federal Court of Canada he must have an oral hearing and look the Order's advisory council "in the eyes" as it decides whether he should lose the award.

Black, 67, returned to Canada on a temporary resident permit after his May release from a Florida prison. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Fleece. 'Goat Man' spotted among wild herd in Utah

Kidding around? Man said he is preparing for archery hunt next year

A person is seen in a goat suit in Utah.
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State wildfire officials have identified a man who has been spotted dressed in a goat suit among a herd of wild goats in the mountains of northern Utah.

Phil Douglass of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources said Monday the mystery man is a 57-year-old hunter from Southern California.

Douglass told the Standard-Examiner that the hunter called officials and provided enough information to put their curiosity to rest. Douglass says he didn't ask for a name.

The man told Douglass he was preparing for an archery hunt of mountain goats next year and testing a goat suit. Douglass says the hunter came to Utah because he heard it was easier to get near goats for training.

The man described his suit as a hooded painter's uniform and a fleece. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Goat-hunting season nears

Wildlife officials are worried "Goat Man" could be in danger as hunting season approaches.

- Phil Douglass of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources said the person is doing nothing illegal, but he worries the so-called Goat Man is unaware of the dangers.
- "My very first concern is the person doesn't understand the risks," Douglass said. "Who's to say what could happen."

La Gioconda's lo scheletro?

Researcher Silvia Gori works inside the Sant'Orsola monastery in Florence, Italy, Tuesday. Archeologists found a skeleton buried inside the monastery that could belong to Lisa Gherardini, the first model of Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa painting. Lisa Gherardini was the wife of a silk merchant called Francesco del Giocondo (in fact, Italians refer to the Mona Lisa as la Gioconda). According to art historian Giorgio Vasari, del Giocondo commissioned Leonardo to paint a portrait of his wife. Leonardo took about 15 years to complete what was to become one of the most famous paintings in the world.

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Bum injections. 'Black Madam' faces murder charges over illegal cosmetic procedure

A woman who calls herself the "Black Madam" is facing murder charges in Philadelphia stemming from the death of a tourist from London who received an illegal buttocks-enhancing procedure.

Padge Windslowe, 42, was charged in the February 2011 death of Claudia Aderotimi, 20, following a series of silicone injections performed at a hotel near Philadelphia International Airport.

Windslowe, who police said uses multiple aliases, was arraigned Tuesday on charges of third-degree murder, conspiracy, reckless endangerment, possessing an instrument of crime and unauthorized practice of medicine. Windslowe, who also bills herself as a musical artist and uses the stage name "Black Madam," is scheduled for a preliminary hearing Aug. 8.

"Padge Winslowe's arrogance and blatant disregard for human life is shocking," District Attorney Seth Williams said Tuesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quoted

"Her conduct cost one young woman her life and placed countless others in danger."
District Attorney Seth Williams.

Vaginal ring

AIDS drug studied on women in Africa

U.S. researchers are beginning to study several thousand women in Africa to see if inserting a vaginal ring coated with an anti-AIDS drug can protect them from HIV infection.
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AIDS conference

Man still cured

Timothy Ray Brown says doctors have told him he's "cured of AIDS and will remain cured." Brown had a blood-stem-cell transplant in 2007 using a donor with a gene mutation that provides natural resistance to HIV. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

400 new jobs. Toyota investing $100 million in Cambridge, Ont., plant

Toyota's Canadian manufacturing arm says it's investing $100 million in its Cambridge, Ont., plant — a move that will see it hire 400 workers.

The investment announced Tuesday will increase the production of the company's Lexus RX models, from 30,000 vehicles to 104,000 at the southwestern Ontario facility.

Toyota Canada says the investment includes 15,000 RX450h vehicles, the hybrid electric version of the popular Lexus, and will take its annual production capacity in Canada to 500,000 units.

"For almost nine years now, Canada has had the only Lexus production outside of Japan," TMMC chairman Ray Tanguay said in a release.

"New jobs, along with new technology, is great news for Canada." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Expanding production

- Toyota said it is targeting early 2014 for expanded Lexus production.
- In March, the company announced it would ramp up production of its RAV4 crossover vehicles, which would also create some 400 new jobs at its assembly plant in Woodstock, Ont.

Market Minute

DOLLAR 98¢ (-0.35¢)

TSX 11,466.95 (-78.59)

OIL $88.50 US (+36¢)

GOLD $1,576.20 US (-$1.20)

Natural gas: $3.128 US (+1.1¢)
Dow Jones: 12,617.32 (-104.14)

GM makes $850M R&D investment in Oshawa

Auto announcement. Workers question whether vehicles that result from cash influx will be produced in Canada

Prime Minister Stephen Harper plugs in a GM Volt electric car at the GM plant in Oshawa, Ont., on Tuesday, alongside GM Canada president Kevin Williams, left, and Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty.
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GM Canada is investing $850 million in research and development at its complex east of Toronto, an announcement hailed by the prime minister as proof of the automaker's commitment to Canada as it makes good on its bailout commitments, but regarded cautiously by auto workers.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, who attended the GM announcement in Oshawa, Ont., said the money represents "exciting future implications" with ripple effects that will be felt throughout the economy.

The federal and Ontario governments invested a total of $10.5 billion in GM Canada in 2009 as the automaker struggled to survive the economic downturn.

By the numbers

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GM's $850-million investment came on the same day Toyota pledged $100 million to boost production in Cambridge, Ont., making for nearly $1 billion in auto-sector investment in Ontario in a single day.

The $850-million investment is aimed at meeting R&D spending commitments the automaker made under the bailout.

GM says the investment in R&D at the Canadian Engineering Centre will make the facility an integral part of its global engineering and R&D networks. But the company did not give any specific announcement about whether new jobs would be created.

The money will also go toward enhancing partnerships with automotive suppliers, including "new co-development projects and greater opportunities for start-ups to access funding through GM Ventures." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ontario home prices up 17 per cent: Report

Average Ontario home prices have risen 17 per cent over the past four years, with the most significant growth seen in the province's north, according to a report released Tuesday.

The Municipal Property Assessment Corp., which tracked home sale prices in Ontario between Jan. 1, 2008 and Jan. 1, 2012, said the figures are good news for Ontario homeowners as they suggest a strong real-estate market.

"Increasing property values reflect positive economic circumstances," said MPAC's chief assessor, Larry Hummel.

However, rising home prices make it difficult for first-time homebuyers to enter the market and many in some of Ontario's most expensive cities like Toronto are opting for condos, a market that many economists have warned could soon be at risk of a downturn.

The figures in the report reflect average price trends in local markets, which can vary greatly from one another.

To illustrate the 17 per cent average provincial increase, the report said if a property sold for $350,000 on Jan. 1, 2008, the average sale price for that same property on Jan. 1, 2012, would be $409,500.

Quoted

"We are approaching levels of house prices relative to income similar to what existed in the U.S. prior to their bubble." Liberal MP John McCallum

"This is a reflection of obviously a lot of sale data," Hummel said of the report's figures.

MPAC analyzed actual sale prices of similar properties to help establish the assessed value of residential properties. The location, quality of construction, lot dimensions, any renovations or additions, as well as number of bathrooms were some of the factors that played into a property's assessment.

The report noted some of the most significant growth in Ottawa and in cities in northern Ontario.

The report released Tuesday was MPAC's first such document on residential sale-price trends. One of MPAC's goals with the report was to take the temperature of the Ontario real-estate market so homeowners are better informed.
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Economy

Retail sales up in May: StatsCan

More Canadians went shopping in May, driving retail sales up slightly to $38.9 billion.

StatsCan reports that stronger sales of food drove the increase at supermarkets and general-merchandise stores and clothing and accessories sales also rose.

But sales were down in the car industry and at electronic and appliance stores.

Retail sales rose in six provinces, with Alberta reporting the largest increase. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Transportation

More Bombardier LRTs going to U.K.

Bombardier will supply 20 additional light rail vehicles to Manchester's transit system in the United Kingdom.

The option is part of the contract signed with Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Executive in 2007 and is valued at around $51 million US, with Bombardier's share valued at about $38 million, the company said.

To date, Bombardier has delivered 54 vehicles to Manchester's transit system. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Phone hacking. Charges laid against former editors

Britain's phone-hacking scandal entered a new and expanded criminal phase Tuesday, with charges brought against two former members of Prime Minister David Cameron's inner circle over a campaign of illegal espionage that has rocked the country's establishment.

The Crown Prosecution Service announced Tuesday that Andy Coulson and Rebekah Brooks — both former editors of Rupert Murdoch's now-shuttered News of the World tabloid — were among eight people being charged with conspiring to intercept the communications of at least 600 people between 2000 and 2006.

The alleged victims included everyone from a murdered teenager to Hollywood power couple Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie.

Coulson and Brooks, who had previously been charged in related cases, have both denied any wrongdoing and vowed to fight the charges.

The charges may further embarrass Cameron, who hired Coulson as his chief communications adviser and once counted Brooks and her horse training husband Charlie in his circle of friends. The prime minister is Brooks' neighbour in the well-to-do Cotswolds town of Chipping Norton, and would swing by the News Corp. executive's house for Christmas parties, go horseback riding with her husband, and text her weekly.

Rebekah Brooks, former chief executive of News International.
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The developing criminal investigation will shortly be overshadowed by the long-awaited London Olympics, but the prospect of having Cameron's former associates in the dock during lengthy trials could prove an unwelcome sideshow as the prime minister battles to get Britain's recession-scarred economy back on track.

Scotland Yard's Deputy Assistant Commissioner Sue Akers said Monday that detectives are seeking evidence from two newspaper companies that are rivals of Murdoch's and looking into more than 100 claims of computer hacking, improper access to medical records and other misconduct stemming from the scandal.
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The Summer Olympics start in a couple of days, but you wouldn't know it here in Vancouver, the city that hosted the most recent Olympics. 2010, remember?

You think they'd fire up the flame one more time in solidarity, but it just sits there overlooking the North Shore mountains, the scene of so many gold-medal triumphs, like a spent Bic, not a flicker.

Even though the Vancouver weather has been reminiscent of the Olympic weather (cold and wet), hardly anyone is wearing the Olympic gear that not so long ago led them to endure daylong lineups in front of the Bay — just for the mittens.

John Furlong, the czar of the 2010 games and the chair of Canada's Own the Podium program, isn't even going to London to cheer on Canada's athletes.

They'll have to own the podium without him, as he says the money will be better spent elsewhere.

Maybe they'll only be able to afford to rent the podium. Time-share?

City of no enthusiasm

"This apparent lack of Olympic rah-rah is puzzling when you consider the local frenzy whipped up during the 2010 Games."

This apparent lack of Olympic rah-rah is puzzling when you consider the local frenzy whipped up during the 2010 Games. The streets were jammed with millions of people who would stand in line for hours just to get a glimpse of the Olympic torch or to zipline across Robson Street. They'd stand in front of the mint just to look at an Olympic gold medal. When Sid the Kid scored the goal that won the gold medal for Canada's hockey team, the entire city erupted in a roar that could be heard all the way to Wembley Stadium.

But now? Not a peep. It's eerie.

Maybe we're Olympicked out. Another one? Already? Or maybe we're just a Winter Olympics kind of town, though given the daily parade of Lycra-clad cyclists all-out pursuing their personal best, you'd be forgiven for thinking the opposite.

The only thing that hasn't changed between these Games and Vancouver's is the British press. The news is a blood sport in Britain. You'd think it's the Hunger Games the way they gnash their collective chattering teeth about anticipated traffic woes, the stupid mascots, massive security problems, the controversy over a memorial for the Israeli athletes killed in Munich, the food, etc., confidently predicting the worst Olympics ever. Sounds familiar, doesn't it?

Of course, if we get to the podium often enough, it won't matter if we own it, rent it or pawn it.

And if Simon Whitfield wins the triathlon gold, you'll be able to hear the roar all the way to Vancouver.

But for now, it's quiet. Too quiet. Cue the national anthem ...

Well, it looks like somebody is into it. These basketball-team members from Canada jump for joy at the Olympic rings inside the Olympic Village Tuesday in London. SUZANNE PLUNKETT/GETTY IMAGES

Eyeful tower an eyesore?

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Looming over Olympics

Orbit Tower not understood

A security member takes photos at the Orbit observation tower inside Olympic Park in London.

Looming large over the Olympic Stadium, the contorted mass of steel spiralling 115 metres up into the London skies is dividing opinions before the Games have even begun.

The Orbit Tower was conceived as London's answer to the Eiffel Tower in Paris, having already beaten out the French capital to host the 2012 Olympics.

But to what purpose is this crushed, swirling roller-coaster design by sculptors Anish Kapoor and Cecil Balmond?

An observation deck? Maybe a mysterious monument to the Olympics, like the Sphinx to ancient Egypt? Or just a piece of modern art?

From afar, the 2,000-tonne structure resembles the heart of a theme park. But this is Olympic Park — and Britain's biggest-ever piece of public art is, to some, just a complex platform providing vistas of the capital.

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Design commentary

"Half of the steel isn't doing a job for the height.... It looks a contorted mass of entrails being stretched and knotted into oblivion."

Oliver Wainwright of Building Design magazine

Pricey project

Olympic flame goes elsewhere

Steel baron Lakshmi Mittal, whose company donated the steel and is funding most of the $36.5-million US project, maintains there is no place for the ceremonial flame atop the tower.

"It's strange if there are no ties to the Olympic cauldron, to make sure when the flame was lit for the entirety it could be seen all around from an open area," said Anna-Maria Sponaski, a native of Vancouver.

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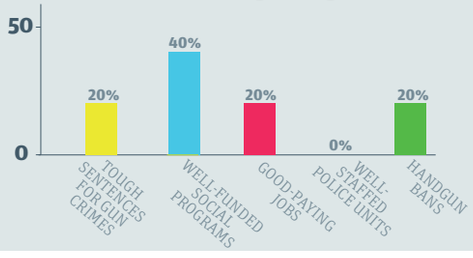

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@tyl3r1: Every time I go to @scotiabankplace I'm reminded of the urban planning absurdity of this stadium #ottawa #fail

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Being released this weekend, The Watch was once called Neighbourhood Watch but had a name change after recent tragic events. HANDOUT

Keep Watch on the name game

Movie titles. Richard Crouse looks at the long history of studios and TV stations forced to change the names of films and shows

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This weekend a movie called The Watch is opening in theatres. The Ben Stiller comedy was originally called Neighborhood Watch but the February, 2012 shooting of Trayvon Martin by a neighborhood watch coordinator in Florida led to the change.

In a statement, 20th Century Fox said, "As the subject matter of this alien invasion comedy bears no relation whatsoever to the recent tragic events in Florida, the studio altered the title to avoid any accidental or unintended misimpression that it might."

The sad incident that prompted the name change was unusual, but title tweaking is commonplace in Hollywood.

Sometimes moniker modification happens for practical reasons.

In the early stages of development, American Pie was known as Teenage Sex Comedy That Can Be Made For Under $10 Million That Your Reader Will Love But The Executive Will Hate. That unwieldy name got the attention of Universal Studios who changed it to East Great Falls High and then Comfort Food before settling on American Pie.

The Tribal Rites of the New Saturday Night was also considered too long a name and changed to Saturday Night Fever, lifted from the Bee Gees song Night Fever.

A Roy Orbison song triggered the title of one of Julia Roberts's most famous movies.

Pretty Women went into production under the name 3,000, the amount Julia's working girl was paid for the night, but research showed audiences thought it sounded like the title of a sci-fi flick. Director Garry Marshal settled on the Oribson classic after listening to dozens of hit songs for inspiration.

Occasionally titles are changed to avoid confusion with other projects. Goodfellas was called Wiseguy but changed so as not be mistaken for the Ken Wahl television series. The Real World was the working title for Reality Bites, but was altered when MTV began airing a reality show of the same name.

One of the most famous James Bond titles was improved by a typo.

The story of a villain who creates the next day's headlines and then causes them to come true was called Tomorrow Never Lies, but when a marketing executive mistakenly typed Tomorrow Never Dies in a memo the mistake was deemed more catchy and commercial.

Finally, would you see a movie called Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep? Marketers didn't think so and called it Blade Runner instead.

How about The Last First Kiss? That one became the Will Smith movie Hitch.

Art imitating life or life imitating art?

Matt Damon says there's a sense of fury in the U.S. over banking scandals and financial inequality that neither Democrats nor Republicans are addressing in their presidential campaigns.

The 41-year-old actor made his comments at Comic-Con in San Diego, where he was promoting the sci-fi thriller Elysium, about a future in which the ultra-rich escape a dying Earth to live in a poverty-free, illness-free orbiting habitat. Damon said he expects President Obama to be elected to a second term in November but isn't as staunch a supporter as he once was.

"I'd be shocked if (Mitt) Romney won. You know, I think Obama is the clear choice. But I've said before I'm really disappointed in him, and I am, particularly because of the banking stuff. He so misread that," Damon said.

"That sense of unfair — the sense that we don't have a country anymore when people don't feel like they have a chance, like it's going to be fair. ... If people feel like the deck is stacked against them, then they stop playing by the rules. Because why play by the rules? The game is fixed, right?"

Damon said both parties haven't paid enough attention the Occupy movement.

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Matt Damon got political at a recent press gathering.
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Scene in brief

Polley's conflicting stories

A new documentary directed by Oscar-nominated Canadian Sarah Polley will debut at the Venice Film Festival. Produced by the National Film Board, Stories We Tell finds the Toronto filmmaker investigating the secrets behind a family of storytellers. Polley uses playful interviews with the family to explore their candid yet contradictory answers to the same questions. Thirty-three-year-old Polley's last film, Take This Waltz, starred Michelle Williams and Seth Rogen and premiered at last year's Toronto International Film Festival. She was nominated for an Oscar for writing her 2006 drama Away From Her. The Venice fest runs Aug. 29 to Sept. 8 and will open with Indian director's Mira Nair's The Reluctant Fundamentalist.

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On the web

Some choose back-row seats, others check for police, but fans still throng to see Dark Knight Rises

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

Madonna. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Madonna being criticized in wake of Colorado shooting

Madonna is coming under fire for using fake guns in her stage show just days after the Aurora, Colo., movie theater massacre, according to the Daily Mail.

The singer was reportedly warned by police before her first performance in Scotland not to use the props, but did so anyway.

The fake guns used in the show include replicas of an AK47 assault rifle and a few handguns.

"Madonna and her dancers using replica guns was always in bad taste, but given what happened in Colorado it is even worse. She should know better," a spokesperson for Mothers Against Guns tells the newspaper.

But a source close to Madonna insists the singer is just sticking to her principles.

"Madonna would rather cancel her show than censor her art," the source tells the Huffington Post.

The Word

Katy Perry makes lewd gestures, also sky still blue

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Although Madonna is practically begging for someone to complain about her racy MDNA tour, it's Katy Perry who has found herself in legal trouble stemming from an April performance in India.

It seems the singer invited cricket player Doug Bollinger on stage to demonstrate how to hold a cricket bat, and the lesson — which involved Bollinger snuggling up behind Perry and grabbing her below-the-waist microphone — offended a lawyer in the audience enough to file a complaint.

In the case, which will be heard July 31, the lawyer claims that the gesture was "obscene and lascivious" and "distracted students who were writing exams at the time," according to The Sun.

Listen, guys — you're overreacting here. Katy Perry has drenched us with icing from her spinning cupcake bra, and our country's education system is totally fine.

Absolutely nothing to worry about, we promise.

Michael Jackson estate tearing his family apart

While Katherine Jackson may no longer be considered a missing person, her grandchildren still reportedly haven't been able to reach the 82-year-old, according to Us Weekly.

Katherine's son Jermaine insists that she's resting in Arizona on doctor's orders, while other family members are crying foul. Michael Jackson's 14-year-old daughter, Paris, in particular, "is a wreck and wants her grandma back immediately," a source says, adding that Paris and her brothers haven't spoken with the grandmother and legal guardian in more than a week.

"It is a war between family members. Paris is broken-hearted about what is happening and has begged the family to call a truce to allow her grandma back."

Katherine Jackson

The executors of Michael Jackson's estate say they are concerned about the welfare of the singer's mother and his three children amid a family feud.

In a letter posted on fan sites Tuesday, executors John Branca and John McClain say they are doing what they can to protect those family members from "undue influences, bullying, greed, and other unfortunate circumstances."

Twitter

@mindykaling
hee hee i like when you're looking at the list of who a guy follows on twitter and it's just famous comedians and girls he's hooked up with

@adamlambert
I'm not Sick. Lol rumors

@simonpegg
I'm not leaving Twitter. I'm at a crazy circus where the animals are dressed provocatively and I'm worried I might say something off colour.

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The currents in the river make it impossible to swim at Montreal's Clock Tower Beach. PAUL CHIASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hit the beach — but forget the swimming

Montreal. Sandy haven in city's Old Port is a great place for catching rays; just don't plan to take a dip

It sounded funny at first — a beach at Montreal's Old Port where there's no swimming.

But the scene is actually quite striking. Visitors can bury their feet in soft white sand as they gaze out at city landmarks and a parade of boats going up and down the St. Lawrence River.

Within view are the towering old Molson brewery, the steel trusses of Jacques-Cartier Bridge, and La Ronde, the city's offshore amusement park.

The river's strong current ruled out the possibility of making the beach open to swimming, and the closest sunbathers can get to water are the mist showers. So far, though, the new Clock Tower Beach has been a hit.

"I never thought it would be nice like this," said 65-year-old Pauline Angers, who lives just outside Montreal, as she sipped a juice under a parasol.

"It's lovely. There are so many places with pools, but you don't see this everywhere."

Located on a quay at the city's Old Port, the beach is named after the giant clock tower that stands at the water's edge, alongside a marina filled with motorboats and yachts.

It opened in mid-June, joining dozens of other nearby attractions at what has long been the city's tourist headquarters.

Visitors can amble along the boardwalk or turn into Old Montreal, where outdoor patio restaurants and artists showcasing their works line the cobblestone streets.

There are so many things to do and see — boat cruises, calèche rides, a kid-friendly science centre, a Cirque du soleil performance — that the beach may get passed over by many visitors.

That's not the case for nearby resident Jessica Diano, who decided to get a season's pass.

"I love it," said Diano, 30, as she sunbathed with three friends. "At first it was weird to not have the option to swim, but I don't mind."

In the evening, there's a refreshment stand at the beach offering food and drinks, providing a prime spot to watch fireworks during the summer months. The space may be a little less welcoming to children.

On a recent weekend afternoon, there were a few dozen people at the beach, but only a handful of kids. Without a pool, there's little for them to do but play with sand toys and cool off in the mist showers.

"I think if someone makes a trip specifically for this, I'm not sure if it's worth it," said Marco Quirion, who had biked to the beach from a Montreal suburb with his partner and two kids.

Angers disagrees.

She has already made several trips to the beach since it opened and plans to return. She said it's a great place to find a quiet haven just steps from the buzz of the city.

"Normally, you have to travel to find sand like this," she said.

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Quoted

"At first it was weird to not have the option to swim, but I don't mind."

Clock Tower Beach visitor Jessica Diano

If you go...

- **The Clock Tower Beach.** Is located at Montreal's Old Port at the Quai de l'Horloge, which begins at the end of Bonsecours Street, near de la Commune Street.
- **Hours.** Open every day until Sept. 2, between 10.30 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. On fireworks night and special events, it closes at 11 p.m.
- **Daily admission.** Five years old and younger are free; 6 to 12 years old, $3; 13 to 59 years old $6; 60 years and older $5. Family rates are also available.
- **For more information.** Visit oldportofmontreal.com/clock-tower-beach.html.

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Travel in brief

Sleep in a London cab during the Olympics

A London taxi driver has come up with a novel way of solving the Olympic hotel dilemma: Visitors can sleep in his cab for $78. Cabbie David Weekes had feared that busy traffic throughout the Olympics and special road lanes for Olympic VIPs would mean fewer taxi fares. So he's converted his traditional black London taxi into a cozy single bed with a Union Jack blanket.

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Redpath Sugar Museum: The sweetest place in Toronto

Richard Feltoe is the curator at the Redpath Sugar Museum.
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City landmark. Learn a little about Canada's oldest sugar refining company — and watch the boats come in from the Caribbean

Anyone with a sweet tooth will be fascinated to learn about Canada's oldest sugar refining company during a free visit to the Redpath Sugar Museum.

The museum, housed within the hulking refinery on the Toronto waterfront, is chockfull of exhibits on the refining of sugar and the making of sugar products. Sugar has been around for centuries. It was imported in Canada's early days, but John Redpath's creation of the refinery made it widely available and gave him a monopoly.

Curator Richard Feltoe, who's been welcoming school groups and independent visitors alike for decades, tailors his tours to everyone's interests with facts and figures galore on manufacturing, production and nutrition. Redpath Sugar was started by John Redpath, a stonemason who immigrated from Scotland to Montreal and became one of the largest building contractors in Canada.

Before he got going with the sugar business at age 57 in 1854, he was involved in the building of Montreal's General Hospital, Notre-Dame Basilica and parts of McGill University.

But it was the work he did on a transportation network that included the Lachine and Rideau canals that opened up the interior of Canada. The Redpath Sugar factory was located on the banks of the Lachine. But by 1900, the canal was too narrow to accommodate ocean-going vessels.

"They began looking for an alternate facility and picked the Toronto waterfront which was being infilled at that time. The plant was constructed between 1957 to 1959 to coincide with the opening of St. Lawrence Seaway, which allowed large ocean-going vessels to reach Toronto. And that's why we are here today," Feltoe explains.

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Sugar Beach

Sugar Beach. A public park east of the factory is on land that used to be leased from the city by Redpath. The beach is an excellent vantage point to watch huge vessels carrying raw sugar from the Caribbean get unloaded.

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Better pack a brolly because London rain is falling down

Olympics. Visitors to England's capital will require something to shield them from its infamous downpours — here's all you need to know about buying a brolly in the city

The only thing certain about the Olympics is that visitors will need umbrellas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gold, silver, bronze: No matter who wins what at the London Olympics, a million or more visitors will need to get themselves an umbrella, more affectionately known as a 'brolly.'

It was the wettest June on record and July is trying hard to beat that.

Clearly it's time to go shopping.

Tartans and Animal Heads

It rains so much in Britain that a store devoted to umbrellas has thrived since 1830 — James Smith & Sons, Umbrellas Ltd.

One section has a dozen tartans, another has brollies with big thick stripes possibly related to obscure sporting clubs. They are sturdy and good-looking though. You could whack a London rioter with one of these if need be, use them as ladies' hand weight.

For 75 to 80 pounds ($116 to $132), you can walk away with a wooden duck handle on your brolly. Ditto ones with parrots, foxes, cats, dogs, even a dinosaur. On the other hand, what are you doing, trying to pretend you have a moat?

Still, the folding umbrella section inspires definite brolly envy, with some so compact they could fit into clutch. This is where girlie-girl options run riot. Ruffles and Degas ballet dancers, mock-Burberry plaids and polka dots, brollies in hot pink, teal blue, blinding chartreuse. Those craving attention in an Olympic crowd should look no further.

"My sister will be crazy about a clear umbrella like this, it's a gift for her," said Mario Marcari, a tourist from Brazil.

Others sought quality and tradition.

"Black is the new black," explained Doug Knowles of San Francisco, who travels often to London on business. "In the business world I would look odd carrying around polka dots."

The quietly professional staff demonstrate to customers the sturdiness of umbrellas with steel shafts, teach them how to press spring-loaded buttons so brollies pop into action without blinding family members.

Sun shades

James Smith & Sons still sells what used to be called parasols for 155 to 145 pounds ($225 to $240) for both men and women but only in cream and white. The chances are nil, however, that Britain will see enough sun to drag these babies out. And after a few days on the island, you will start craving vitamin D.

Off to the tourist traps

Those with a thinner wallet can go to Camden and other outdoor markets where the ubiquitous "I love London" and Union Jack brollies cost three to five pounds each ($4.70 to $7.80). Still, don't they just announce your lack of imagination to the rooftops? If one must go the cheapie tourist route, a London Underground brolly for ten pounds ($15.50) has a classic, recognizable design.

For a unique look, artists at the markets also use umbrellas as canvases, painting them like others do sneakers.

The sports brolly debate

As the New York Yankees have shown, team logos can travel worldwide. Top English Premier League teams like Manchester United, Arsenal, Liverpool and Chelsea all sell brollies with logos, starting at 24.99 pounds ($38.60) on up for those they call 'Gustbusters.'

Truth is, they're mostly for wives, girlfriends and tourists. At a game, it's impossible to chant obscenities at opposing teams while carrying a brolly and still keep your manhood intact. Plus blocking another fan's view of the pitch could start a mini-riot. Not to mention that carrying the wrong logo is a good recipe for a bar fight in some parts of town.

"They're drunk, they stand in the rain," a London-based sportswriter said, explaining British fans. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he stands in the rain every week too.

The sports umbrella debate even has its own class divide. The posh crowds watching tennis at Wimbledon ALWAYS have brollies and have been taught from a young age how to scrunch down low so people behind them can

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still see the tennis.

Brolly fashionistas

For those wanting a more sophisticated look, it's time to hit the museum gift shops. The British Museum alone has about a dozen brollies, ranging from 16.99 pounds ($26) for a Shakespeare Floral design to 26.99 pounds ($41.60) for one that reveals London landmarks when it gets wet. Trendy types seek brollies that prove they have been to the latest art exhibition, but old standbys like a Rosetta Stone umbrella (16.99 pounds, $26) could flash your archaeology IQ.

Masters of the Universe brollies

In Mayfair, London's wealthy hedge fund neighbourhood, the enormous golf umbrella with a fund logo is de rigueur. But you can't buy them — adding to their allure — and you must be part of the tribe to know which fund is hot this month, which is not and which is the next Ponzi scheme. Plus you will get in trouble with Olympic security (see below).

Listen to the Olympic security staff

Are the uncovered spikes on a tattered umbrella a weapon?

Apparently not. But the staff did have one big plea for visitors — NO GOLF UMBRELLAS. They will be confiscated. You will be angry. You could get wet. This was allegedly written in extremely fine print somewhere in the instructions about Olympic tickets, but the guards know thousands will be upset when their brollies are permanently detained.

They say they hate being the bad guys.

And no walking-length umbrellas with steel tips either. Stick to the folding ones.

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Take a walk down Olympic memory lane in these cities

Go for the gold. Former Olympic hosts offer plenty of activities for those seeking to relive sporting glory

In Sydney, you can swim in the same pool where Ian Thorpe won five Olympic medals in 2000. In Berlin, you can pose for photos in the stadium where Jesse Owens won four gold medals in 1936. In Lake Placid, N.Y., you can skate on the same rink where Eric Heiden speed skated his way to five golds in 1980.

You don't have to go to London to enjoy the Olympics. Many venues used for past Olympic Games are still standing, some in modified form. A few are open for public sporting use, while many others offer tours for a fee. Many Olympic cities also have sports museums with heavy doses of Olympic memorabilia.

If you're taking a trip to a city with an Olympic past, you might want to fit in a visit to the Olympic stadium or museum. Here are some places to consider:

This track at the Athletic Centre in Sydney was used in warm-up at the 2000 Olympics. PHOTOS: THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sydney and Melbourne, Australia

The bulk of the Sydney Games in 2000 took place at Sydney Olympic Park, a short train ride from the city's centre. The opening and closing ceremonies were held in what is now ANZ Stadium. As part of the tour, you can pose for photos standing on a medal stand — take your pick of gold, silver or bronze. An extended, pricier Gantry Tour takes you high above the field along steel mesh walkways used by crews to access lighting and sound equipment. Track and field events also took place there, though the actual track used was rolled up like a carpet and moved to the warm-up area of the nearby Athletic Centre. (The main track at the Athletic Centre had been used for warm-up during the Olympics.) The Athletic Centre is open for recreational use when there isn't an event scheduled, with either the main or warm-up track open on a given day. The Aquatic Centre has an Olympic-size pool, naturally, open to the public for lap swimming. Diving competition also took place there (you can walk by, but can't use the diving pool, though). Families may be more interested in the indoor water playground next to the Olympic warm-up pool. After your swim, you can play tennis or try out archery at other venues around the Olympic Park.

The Olympiastadion Berlin, where U.S. gold medalist Jesse Owens won four gold medals during the 1936 Summer Olympics in Berlin.

Berlin and Munich, Germany

Germany hosted two notorious games: The 1936 Berlin Olympics, which Adolf Hitler tried to turn into a showcase of Aryan supremacy, and the 1972 Munich Olympics, marred by a hostage crisis that left 11 Israelis dead.

You see the majestic Olympic Gate — two towers holding up the Olympic rings — as you approach Olympiastadion Berlin.

Next to the stadium is the tower and parade grounds used by the Nazis for military and political ceremonies.

A tour takes you to the stands overlooking the track area where Jesse Owens and other athletes competed. You can see the unlit cauldron at one end of the stadium. You can also see the balcony from which Hitler had watched the games, though it had been shortened after World War II as part of de-Nazification efforts.

Sign up for the Berlin Marathon in September, and you may also get to run on the track the morning before the race. It's not the original track surface, though.

Many of Munich's events took place at Olympiapark. The main stadium was used for the opening and closing ceremonies, track and field and soccer. With a tour, you get to walk on the track.

The tour also takes you to a VIP lounge filled with Olympic artifacts such as torches from past games and shoes worn by some of the athletes, including Kenya's Kipchoge Keino, who won gold in the 3,000-meter steeplechase in 1972.

A wall display of key moments includes a newspaper headline on the massacre.

The athletes' village where the terrorism acts took place is still around, used mostly for offices and housing these days. Visits are discouraged. Instead, check out a memorial at the Olympic park.

For details about tours and fees, see:

Berlin: olympiastadion-berlin.de/en.html

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Elsewhere

Beijing's iconic Bird's Nest and Water Cube facilities are now open to visitors.

The National Stadium was the site of the opening and closing ceremonies, track and field events and soccer and is notable for its architecture — steel "twigs" on the outside form a massive, curving nest. See n-s.cn/en .

The National Aquatics Center, where Michael Phelps won eight golds in 2008, is dubbed the Water Cube for its blue, bubble-like exterior.

It's a water park these days. Details are at watercube.com, though you might need an online translating service to read the Chinese-language site.

Barcelona, Spain, which hosted the 1992 Summer Olympics, offers free entrance to the stadium, but a museum next door charges an admission fee.

The museum has a brief discussion on the Ancient Olympics in Greece, but focuses on modern times and has an extensive collection from the Barcelona Games.

If museums and stadiums aren't your style, you can visit the shops and cafes at Port Olimpic, a waterfront section of Barcelona revived for the games. Yachting events took place off that harbour.

If you're adventurous, head to the Arctic island of Spitsbergen. Part of the Olympic athletes' village from the 1994 Winter Olympics in Lillehammer, Norway, was moved there after the games and is now a Radisson hotel.

You can also sign up for the Athens Classic Marathon in November and run roughly the same route of the 1896 and 2004 Olympics in Athens. The route somewhat traces the journey that Pheidippides, according to legend, ran in 490 B.C. to deliver news of a battle victory.

If there's another Olympic city you're visiting, Wikipedia is a good start for figuring out where the events took place.

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Lake Placid, New York

Located about five hours north of New York City, Lake Placid hosted the Winter Olympics in 1932 and 1980. Several of the venues are still open for tours and recreational use, though some are operational only during the winter season.

Die-hard fans may want to ride the bobsled. It's the actual one used in competition, though you only get to ride part of it, with a professional escort.

If you are brave, you can also ride the head-first skeleton run, though it wasn't an Olympic event during either of the Lake Placid Games.

While there, you can tour the Olympic Center, where the U.S. ice hockey team defeated the Soviets in what has become known as the Miracle on Ice. You can skate in one of its indoor rinks. The outdoor speed skating oval is open during the winter months and is the same one used by Eric Heiden and other Olympic athletes in 1980.

A separate tour is available for the Olympic ski-jumping complex, and Whiteface Mountain is open for skiing during the winter. Lake Placid also hosts an Olympic museum downtown.

Consider an Olympic Sites Passport for discounts if you are visiting several venues. To plan your trip, visit whiteface.com.

Are you brave enough to ride the bobsled track in Lake Placid?

Canada's own Olympic legacy

You don't have to travel far in pursuit of Olympic glory. There's plenty of memories from the Games in our own backyard.

Montreal, 1976 Summer

The Montreal Games were the first of three Olympics to be hosted in Canada. For more information visit parcolympique.qc.ca/.en/.

Calgary, 1988 Winter

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Tips for driving around the world

Advice. One man drove across the world for more than a year — we asked him what he learned on the road

After 456 days of driving, Nicolas Rapp triumphantly returned home to Brooklyn in late February.

He had set out with a Land Cruiser in November 2009 from NYC with a mission to drive around the world.

Rapp chronicled his adventures — from the striking landscapes in Bolivia and Peru to his life-threatening crossing of the Ethiopian desert — on his blog, Trans World Expedition.

The cost of the trip was about $50,000. Rapp shares his tips for travellers.

She clearly took our advice. THINKSTOCK

Master the art of border-crossing

Be nice and polite, and act like you don't understand when they ask you for money.

If they speak English, answer in French. If they speak French, speak in English. They will get tired before you do.

Eat anything

From bull's balls in Honduras to spicy Indian food and fresh food on street carts in Malaysia, be prepared to try anything that is offered or else go hungry and risk offending your hosts.

But also learn to cook

If you cook for yourself, you have less chance of getting sick — and you save money. Plan to shop once a week in a city to stock up on meat and other supplies to store in the fridge, rather than getting stuck buying sketchy roadside supplies, like "steak" from a long-dead cow.

Always have a Plan B

Be ready to be surprised, and always plan a second route so you have options when a natural disaster or a political crisis happens.

Go before you get married

There is nothing like sleeping in a tent together for more than a year to test your commitment to, and compatibility with, the love of your life.

Monkeys rule

You can't stop monkeys. They steal anything, and you will be running after them until they let go.

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Agave-BBQ Roasted Chicken: All the sweet taste, none of the hangover

Agave nectar — the current darling of the alternative sweetener world — is made from the same plant that is used to produce tequila. And it goes down so much easier (squeeze of lime and dash of salt are optional).

But let's start with some basics. Agave nectar is an amber liquid that resembles honey, but has a cleaner, sweeter, even fruitier flavour. Not long ago it was mostly unheard of in North America, existing primarily in the backwaters of the natural foods world.

In recent years, it has evolved into a booming $200 million industry. Suddenly, it's being used in everything from ketchup and barbecue sauce to baked goods and ice cream.

Here it's used to make a delicious roasted chicken.

Agave-Barbecue Roasted Chicken

This recipe serves six. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ingredients

- 3- to 5-lb whole chicken
- Kosher salt and black pepper

Barbecue sauce

- 6-oz can tomato paste
- 5 tbsp agave syrup
- 3 tbsp olive oil
- 5 tbsp cider vinegar
- 1 1/2 tbsp Dijon mustard
- 1 tsp kosher salt
- 2 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 tsp black pepper

1. Heat the oven to 400 F.

2. Place chicken on cutting board with breast down. Use kitchen shears to cut from neck hole down the length of the backbone and out the rump. Repeat on the other side of the backbone. Discard the backbone. The cutting will require a little effort, but the shears should cut through the bones without too much difficulty. Spread open the chicken, exposing the cavity.

3. Sprinkle inside with salt and pepper. Overturn the chicken and place it cavity side down in a roasting pan just a bit larger than the chicken. Gently press the chicken to flatten. Season over and under the skin with salt and pepper. Cover tightly with foil and roast for 30 minutes.

4. Meanwhile, prepare the barbecue sauce. In a medium bowl, whisk together all ingredients. Set aside.

5. After the chicken has roasted for 30 minutes, remove the pan from the oven and remove the foil. Use a pastry brush to brush the barbecue sauce thickly over the entire chicken. Return the chicken to the oven and roast for another 30 minutes, or until the meat at the thickest part reaches 165 F.

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Drink of the Week

Orange-Lemon-Lime Tea-Ade

- 8 bags black tea
- 4 bags mint tea
- 6 cups boiling water
- 3/4 cup sugar
- Ice
- Juice of 4 oranges
- Juice of 2 lemons and 2 limes

In a 1-gallon pitcher, combine the black tea bags, mint tea bags and boiling water. Let steep for 5 minutes. Use a slotted spoon to remove the tea bags, squeezing them over the pitcher to extract as much liquid as possible. Add the sugar, stirring until it is dissolved. Stir in the orange, lemon and lime juices, then add enough ice to fill the pitcher.

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Finally, a salad jammed with healthy veggies and flavour

Ingredients

Chicken

- 1 tsp olive oil
- 2 tbsp red wine vinegar
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp ground black pepper
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 lb chicken breast cutlets

The Greens

- 5-oz package mixed spring greens
- 2 tbsp chopped fresh chives
- 3 tbsp each chopped cilantro leaves, torn basil leaves, chopped parsley
- 1 tbsp minced fresh mint

Vinaigrette

- 1/4 cup rice wine vinegar
- 2 tsp sugar
- 1 tsp salt
- Pinch of allspice and ground cloves
- 1/4 cup chopped shallots
- 2 tsp Dijon mustard
- 1 tbsp olive oil

Chopped Vegetables

- 2 ears corn, husked
- 2 tomatillos, husked and halved
- 2 medium apples, cored and chopped
- 1 cup peeled and chopped jicama
- 1 red bell pepper, cored and chopped

1. Chicken: In zip-close plastic bag, combine olive oil, wine vinegar, salt, pepper and garlic. Add chicken, then massage marinade into meat. Refrigerate for 2 hours or overnight.

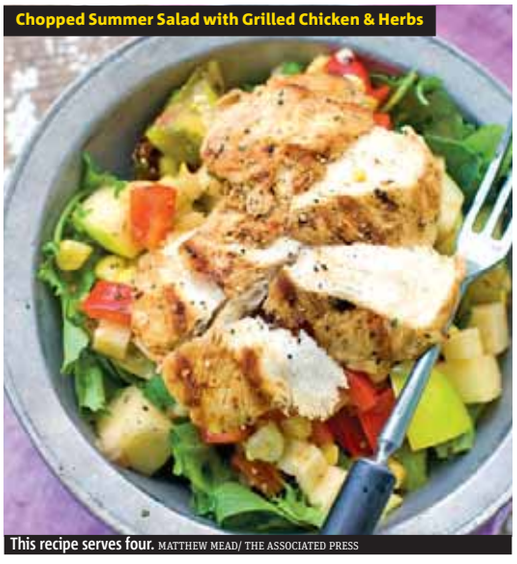
2. Greens: In bowl, combine mixed greens, chives, cilantro, basil, parsley and mint. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for 2 hours or overnight.

3. When ready to cook chicken, prepare the vinaigrette. In a small saucepan over medium-high heat, combine the rice wine vinegar, sugar, salt, allspice, cloves and shallots. Bring to a simmer and cook for 5 minutes. Remove from the heat and let cool. Whisk in the mustard and olive oil.

4. Heat the grill to high. Using an oil-soaked paper towel held with tongs, oil the grill grates.

5. Add the chicken, both ears of corn and the tomatillos to the grill. The chicken should grill for 2 to 3 minutes per side. The corn should grill for about the same time, but with frequent turning to sear all sides. The tomatillos should be grilled for the same duration, cut side down. Transfer the vegetables to a plate to cool.

Chopped Summer Salad with Grilled Chicken & Herbs



This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

6. Once cooled, chop the tomatillos. Cut the kernels off the corn. To do this, one at a time stand each ear of corn on its wide end and use a serrated knife to saw down the length of the cob.

7. In a medium bowl, combine the corn, tomatillos, apples, jicama and bell pepper. Drizzle the vinaigrette over the vegetables, then toss to coat.

8. To serve, divide the greens between 4 plates. Top with the chopped vegetable mixture, then the grilled chicken.

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Creamy Chicken Burgers. Treat diners to upscale burgers with cream cheese

1. Heat barbecue to medium-high or oven to 220 C (425 F).

2. In a mixing bowl, place chicken, pesto, egg and bread crumbs. Season with salt and pepper and combine. Divide mixture into 4 to 6 portions and shape into patties.

3. Place patties on grill or on parchment-lined baking sheet on centre rack of oven. Cook burgers for 12 to 14 minutes, turning only once.

4. In a small bowl, blend cream cheese and olives. Heat buns and top with cream cheese mixture. Add patties and lettuce and serve. THE CANADIAN PRESS/DAIRY FARMERS OF CANADA

Ingredients

Creamy Chicken Burger

- 650 g (1 1/3 lb) ground chicken
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) sun-dried tomato pesto
- 1 egg
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) bread-crumbs
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 4 to 6 small olive ciabatta or olive focaccia loaves

Garnish

- 75 ml (1/3 cup) cream cheese, softened
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) sliced green olives
- 4 to 6 lettuce leaves, washed and patted dry

Let the sun shine on your search

The heat of the hunt.
Rebuild your summer job search momentum as August approaches

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Have you noticed a position that wouldn't sync with your skills? Wipe that frown off your face and pass the info on to a qualified pal. ISTOCK

It's late-July and you're still having no luck on the summer job front. You've slowly fallen into the swing of sleeping until noon and sitting poolside for the afternoon with a pitcher of Sangria in hand, completely giving up on the idea of making any sort of income over the summer months.

However, just because the July heat is making you melt doesn't mean your motivation has to melt along with it. These steps can help you transform your lazy summer days into productive ones while still leaving time for an afternoon beer on the patio.

Shed the PJs

Get up early and go for a run before the heat kicks in. Get dressed. Eat a full breakfast. Doing these things sets you in gear and makes it much less likely for you to spend the day lounging.

Manage your time

Making cold calls, revamping your resumé and writing thank you notes after interviews don't sound like a fun ways to spend your afternoon.

Try setting a timer for 15 minutes, three times a day and doing something you don't want to do during those three intervals. The time will fly by and you'll accomplish more by working hard for short periods of time.

Share the love

See a job posting that would be perfect for your other unemployed friend? Hear an ad for something your younger cousin could try out? Let them know about it. Helping others succeed will motivate you to do so as well. Not only that, but passing along information encourages others to do the same for you and allows you to network without even trying.

A good deed a day keeps the doctor away

Instead of escaping the heat by parking it in front of some Family Feud, use that time to do something nice for someone else. Vacuum the house. Make dinner. Organize your mom's bookshelf. (I did that and she threw me a 20. Just sayin'.) Not only will others appreciate this, but the more things you do the more motivated you will be to continue being productive with your time. Half the battle is simply getting out of a lazy funk.

Put your mind at ease

Pick one thing that is really troubling you and brainstorm ways to deal with it. For example, if you're stressing about how to foot your rent cheques for the school year, get on your student loan application. Examine your class schedule to see if you can fit in a part-time job for the fall. Create a budget. Getting your worries under control one at a time will make the bigger picture less stressful overall.

Twitter

@TalentEgg
What do you wish you had known when you first started your job-hunt?

@SEBASdilorenzo
I wish I knew that education isn't the most important part to a successful job hunt.

@MrEpid
They don't care about your degree/ experience. They care about you, and what makes you tick. If they like you, the job is yours.

@meryemaslam
degree doesn't determine if you get the job... focus is on how the skills from your edu are transferable to the 'real world'

@SerenaJHT
It's not what you've learned that matters but rather what you can do with it in your career that counts! #jobhunting #inprogress

@yvonnechung7
Spend time polishing up a personalized cover letter vs a bunch of medicore ones. It makes all the difference!

@littlekleine
i wish i knew that June & July r the slowest months for hiring so i shouldn't worry about not getting any interviews atm

Get creative

Use your imagination

- If you're feeling desperate for some dough, think of ways to rake it in without relying on a job. Donate items from your overflowing closet to a consignment store. See if your neighbours need any odd jobs done. Call your local employment centre to see if they have any temp jobs you could apply for. Accessing all your outlets may bring forth results you didn't even consider before.
- Slowly building up your momentum and making your days more productive will keep you feeling positive and make you more successful in your search!

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Stretch the narrow net

Eyes on the prize(s).
Opening up to other options can yield awesome results

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So you've beefed up your resumé, networked with everyone from your next door neighbour to your college professors, and applied all over town, but somehow, it's July and the most work you've gotten has been the few dollars your parents threw to you for clearing out the shed.

If you're still on the hunt for summer work and employers aren't biting, it may be time to caste a wider net.

Why you should widen your summer job search

Widening your summer job search takes a shift in perspective. Give some thought to why you need a summer job so badly. Is it for the money? Is it for the experience? Is it for your resume? Your answers to these questions will help determine how broad your search should be and what jobs you could be applying to.

Don't be afraid to flip the page.
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The wonders of work

"Every job, no matter what it is, will give you transferable skills"
Isani Nath

not be your dream job but with the right attitude, they may be just what your summer needs.

Transferable skills

Though these summer jobs may not be what you want to do long term, the skills can "transfer" to future positions in your desired field. As a liberal arts student who liked writing, I wasn't really looking to make my way in the healthcare system or retail industry, but what I learned from working in those industries was invaluable.

Every job, no matter what it is, will give you transferable skills. From working in a hospital job, I learned patience and how to adapt to an unfamiliar work environment. From my position at a shoe store, I learned customer service, how to handle money, and how businesses are run.

You might like it

Your mom used to say it when she was trying to force feed you broccoli and it is still true now: you never know if you'll like something unless you try it. Getting exposure to different entry level positions and work environments could open you up to new career paths or interests that you hadn't previously considered.

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Student Voice

Create your own corporate credentials

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As I was about to graduate I had not found a full-time job that was relevant to my education or my future goals. The process of finding a relevant job took me six months.

Luckily, I had been working at Rogers Communications part-time throughout school and continued working there while searching for a full-time job. I understood that the market was competitive and decided to differentiate myself by pursuing my Certified Associate of Project Management (CAPM) designation through the Project Management Institute, which I successfully obtained.

Aside from this, I spent many hours reviewing job listings, applying for jobs and learning about career search strategies.

Where I am now

I currently work at Ingram Micro as a Licensing Coordinator. My short-term goal is to pursue a MBA at a reputable business school in September 2013.

My recommendations for employers, schools and career centres

My recommendation to schools and career centres is to invest time and resources in the professional development of students at least in the fourth year. Many students graduate with exceptional grades and are left hanging in regards to job search and networking strategies. Schools also need to develop solid partnerships with employers in the community so students get exposure to these organizations.

The biggest challenge I faced was that employers required corporate experience for entry-level jobs. Employers need to understand that, although for obvious reasons some recent graduates may not have corporate experience, graduates can definitely contribute through their education, their part-time work experience and through their extra-curricular experience. Like many students, I invested a lot of time into extra-curricular activities while in school. Employers should appreciate this and understand that students can apply the skills they obtained through their experience to the job.

My recommendations for students

Get involved in extra-curricular activities or volunteer as early as you can. This will allow you to develop new skills and will differentiate you from your peers.

Furthermore, network as much as you can. Attend networking sessions, information sessions and any relevant career centre events. Develop solid relationships with your professors. They have a lot of experience and tips that they would love to share with you.

Lastly, do not lose hope. Always keep your goals in mind and do whatever it takes to achieve them.

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"I think I'm looking forward to it more than any season in my life."

New York Jets coach Rex Ryan has slimmed down and toned down his comments, but he is still plenty confident and eager to get this season going. Having Tim Tebow in green and white isn't the only reason. His biggest task will be erasing the bitterness of finishing 8-8 and missing the playoffs for the first time in his three years as coach.

"Maybe there's some doubt about my coaching ability or whatever.... I can't wait to show people. That mentality has carried me my whole life."

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Mobile sports

Ichiro Suzuki's skills might be on the downswing, but his star still shines bright back home. After 12 1/2 years in Seattle, "the top Japanese athlete in the world" was traded to the Yankees on Monday and now, with a realistic chance to win a World Series, has created tremendous buzz in his motherland. Scan the code for the story.

The Memorial Cup, minus two figurines, is displayed during an event with the Shawinigan Cataractes as president Real Breton speaks on May 31 at the legislature in Quebec City. JACQUES BOISSINOT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cataractes D-man sorry for damaging trophy

CHL. Shawinigan's Donnelly will have to pay for repairs to Memorial Cup, team general manager says

Shawinigan Cataractes defenceman Dillon Donnelly has apologized for damaging the Memorial Cup and said it was an accident.

But the son of former NHL rearguard Gord Donnelly will be billed for the repairs by the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League team.

The 19-year-old Colorado Avalanche prospect sent a message on Twitter on Tuesday that said: "Breaking the Memorial Cup was an accident. I picked it up, lost my balance and dropped it. There was no intention to break. I'm sorry."

The junior hockey championship trophy looked like a wreck in pictures published this week. The metal cup at the top was bashed in and the wooden base was cracked. Each player on the championship team is allowed 24 hours to celebrate with the cup at home, provided the team takes out $50,000 in insurance against damages.

Cataractes general manager Martin Mondou said Donnelly will have to pay.

"You have to be responsible for your behaviour," he said.

Mondou had not yet spoken to Donnelly about the damages, but said the issue "will be resolved between us, the league and the kid. Nobody else."

Two figurines of hockey players on either side of the cup were missing, but they fell off long before Donnelly had the trophy on July 13 in Montreal.

Mondou said the figurines came off twice when the team was presented the cup following their victory on home ice in the final against the London Knights in May.

The Canadian Hockey League, the umbrella group for the three Canadian-based major junior leagues, has asked that the cup be returned immediately to Toronto.

Some Cataractes players who had not yet had their day with the cup will miss their turn, said Photi Sotiropoulos, spokesman for the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League.

He said the team is held responsible for the cup, not any individual players.

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Replica

- The original 1919 Memorial Cup is kept permanently at the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto.
- The damaged one is a replica, but can cost thousands of dollars to repair when badly damaged.

NHL labour talks

NHLPA is close to making its CBA counter-proposal

The NHL Players' Association is almost ready to table its own vision for a new collective bargaining agreement.

As negotiations with the NHL resumed Tuesday, NHLPA executive director Donald Fehr indicated that the union was getting close to responding to the league's initial proposal, which included a decreased share of hockey-related revenue, term limits on contracts and a 22 per cent salary rollback.

"I doubt that it will be weeks plural," said Fehr. "But could it be two? Yeah. It could be two, it could be less."

The sides have entered gently into talks. This week's three-day session in Toronto marks the fifth consecutive week Fehr and NHL commissioner Gary Bettman have sat across the table from one another, but they still seem to be feeling their way into the process.

The NHL delivered its initial CBA proposal to the union during a bargaining session on July 13. In response, the NHLPA requested a "fair amount of additional information," according to Fehr.

"They've indicated that they're in the process of compiling it and will get it to us," Fehr said.

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NHLPA executive director Donald Fehr THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nashville Predators hang on to Shea Weber

The Nashville Predators have matched the staggering offering sheet made by the Philadelphia Flyers for defenceman Shea Weber.

The Predators made sure on Tuesday they will keep their star defenceman when they decided to pay him $110 million US over 14 years. Weber, 26, is the Predators captain and played on a $7.5-million arbitrator's award last season. He had 19 goals and 49 points along the way.

Nashville already lost free-agent defenceman Ryan Suter to Minnesota this summer, and losing Weber would have been an unexpected blow to a defence-first team that had 104 points last season.

The Flyers were looking for someone to fill the void left by Philadelphia defenceman Chris Pronger's absence.

Weber hoped he would land in Philadelphia. Now, he will likely end his career in Nashville.

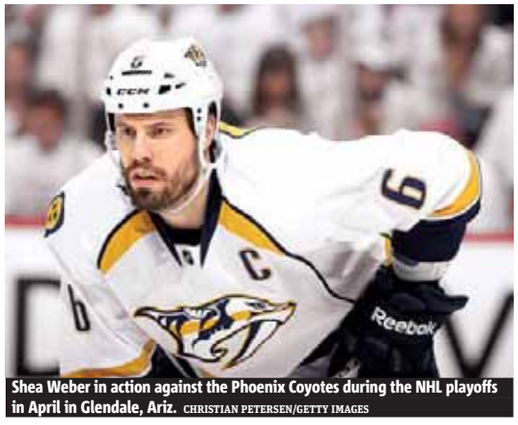
"In tendering an offer sheet to Shea Weber, we were trying to add a top defenceman entering the prime of his career," Flyers general manager Paul Holmgren said. "With Nashville matching our offer, we wish Shea and the Predators all the best."

On behalf of Predators chairman Tom Cigarran, GM David Poile and CEO Jeff Cogen, the team released a statement that called the Weber signing "the most important hockey transaction in franchise history."

Weber is a three-time all-star who helped Canada win gold in the 2010 Olympics, and is also is the mainstay of the Predators' defensive-minded approach. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Commitment

The Predators said they wanted to send a message to their fans that they remain committed to fielding a Stanley Cup contender.



Shea Weber in action against the Phoenix Coyotes during the NHL playoffs in April in Glendale, Ariz. CHRISTIAN PETERSEN/GETTY IMAGES

Canada can expect to catch 22 in London

The Canadian Olympic Committee and Own the Podium set a goal of a top-12 finish for Canada at the London Olympics.

Using the 2008 Beijing Games as a gauge, that's 24 medals.

Canada's previous high was 22 in 1996. Canada tied for 14th in Beijing with 18 medals and was 19th at the 2004 Games in Athens with 12.

Here are some predictions of where Canada's medals will come from:

BOXING, 1 medal: Mary Spencer may have needed an assist from the IOC to get to London after losing her first bout at the world championships in May, but the three-time world champ can't be overlooked.

CANOE/KAYAK, 1 medal: Kayaker Adam van Koeverden has worked too hard on his 1,000 metres not to win a fourth career Olympic medal.

CYCLING, 2 medals: Two is conservative. Canada is a contender on the road, track and trail. Mountain biker Catharine Pendrel is a favourite for gold.

DIVING, 2 medals: Jennifer Abel is a potential double medallist in women's individual springboard and synchro springboard with Emilie Heymans. Alex Despatie brings the experience of winning two Olympic medals, but he's coming off a head injury.

EQUESTRIAN, 1 medal: Canada has depth in dressage, eventing and show jumping. The best bet for a medal is in team show jumping.

GYMNASTICS, 2 medals: Between them, Rosannagh MacLennan and three-time medallist Karen Cockburn should produce a medal in women's trampoline. If both can, bonus.

ROWING, 4 medals: Canadian rowers have a tradition of making the podium and they are expected to continue that trend in London.

SWIMMING, 3 medals: Distance freestyler Ryan Cochrane is chasing two medals. Julia Wilkinson, Martha McCabe, Brent Hayden and open-water swimmer Richard Weinberger are podium possibilities.

SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING, 1 medal: The team of Elise Marcotte and Marie-Pier Boudreau-Gagnon were fourth in the world last year.

TAEKWONDO, 1 medal: A silver medallist in Beijing, Karine Sergerie remains ranked No. 2 in the world in the 67-kilogram class.

TRACK-AND-FIELD, 1 medal: Anything less than a medal from shot putter Dylan Armstrong is underachieving. Jessica Zelinka has an outside shot in heptathlon.

TRIATHLON, 1 medal: The question is who can produce it? Paula Findlay was the woman to beat until she was injured a year ago. What she'll do in London is a mystery. Otherwise, it's up to veteran Simon Whitfield or Kyle Jones, who has begun to establish himself in the world's elite.

WRESTLING, 2 medals: Olympic champ Carol Huynh attempts to defend her 48-kilogram title, while Ms. Reliable Tonya Verbeek looks for a third Olympic medal. Martine Dugrenier and Leah Callahan are contenders, too.

TOTAL: 22 medals.

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Melo fantastic in friendly versus Spain

U.S. forward Carmelo Anthony, centre, duels for the ball with Serge Ibaka and Pau Gasol on Tuesday during an Olympic exhibition game in Barcelona, Spain. Anthony came off the bench to score 23 of his 27 points in the first half, and the Americans beat Spain 100-78 on in a rematch of the 2008 gold-medal game — and possible preview of the next one. DAVID RAMOS/GETTY IMAGES

Canuck women in tough early

Soccer. On eve of Olympic opener, Canadian team discusses matchup with world champion Japan

John Herdman hasn't had to bolster his players with any special messages of motivation, or implement any team-building strategies since they touched down in England.

Ten months after he took on the task of mending the battered psyche of Canada's women's soccer team, and a day before his squad opens its London Olympic campaign, the coach said his players are all-business, and more than ready.

"That's the brilliance of this group, there's a maturity there," Herdman said following his team's final practice in Coventry before its opener.

Quoted

"They're a pleasure to watch and have taken the women's game to another level in terms of technical ability."

Canada coach John Herdman on Japan

"They're managing internally everything they need to, to be ready for the Games. So my message has been really simple: Keep doing what you're doing."

The Canadians open versus World Cup champion Japan in Coventry on Wednesday, two days before the opening ceremonies. Canada is seeking redemption after a horrible showing at the World Cup last summer in Germany — a last-place finish that led to the departure of coach Carolina Morace and the hiring of Herdman.

The Canadians face what could be their toughest test of the tournament, playing a Japanese squad that knocked off the perennial power United States in a penalty shootout to win the World Cup in Germany.

Canadian midfielder Sophie Schmidt calls Japan a "Barcelona-type team."

"Japan is a special team, just in the way they pass the ball," Schmidt said. "We've had discussions. We know we won't have the ball for most of the game, so we just have to take advantage when we do, make most of our chances when we do get them."

The seventh-ranked Canadians and No. 3 Japan have played each other to three wins, three losses and three draws. But Japan has been on the rise since its fourth-place finish in Beijing. THE CANADIAN PRESS

History meets rock 'n' roll at venue

Canada's Olympic men's beach volleyball team practises Tuesday at a venue situated behind the Horse Guard Parade building in London. RYAN REMIORZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Beach volleyball. Canadian players are savouring the opportunity to play at a site in the shadows of historic buildings

AC/DC, Led Zeppelin and the Beach Boys blared Tuesday as Canadians hit the sand to train in what will likely become one of the London Olympics' most iconic venues.

The beach volleyball venue is set in the shadow of the Horse Guard Parade, a site that dates back to 1745 and takes its name from the soldiers who have provided protection for the monarch since 1660.

It is perhaps best known for the annual Trooping the Colour event that takes place on the Queen's birthday.

But for 13 days starting Saturday, it will be a rock 'n' roll sandbox filled with athletic beefcake and hard-bodied women in itsy-bitsy bikinis.

It's a sport that is the antithesis of golf — fans are encouraged to rock out. The beach party takes place in an intimate, temporary stadium that seats 15,000 and wraps around a court stocked with some 5,000 tonnes of sand brought from a quarry in Godstone, Surrey.

"It's amazing," said Marie-Andree Lessard, sporting a huge grin. "It's so vibrant. The sand's beautiful. The colour's awesome. The site is of utmost beauty and of great historic value as well. So I think we're very grateful and happy to be playing here."

Martin Reader added: "Beautiful venue. Amazing place in London."

The venue is sure to become one of the television images of the Games, especially from high in the stand that faces the Horse Guard Parade building.

But the entire site is packed with history. Surrounding buildings include the Old Admiralty Building, Household Cavalry Museum, Scotland Office and St. James's Park and the Guards Memorial.

The Duke of Wellington was based in Horse Guards when he was in charge of the British army.

Both the Canadian men and women open on the weekend against host Britain.

The Canadian men had to win in Mexico to get Canada an Olympic spot.

"There were a few thousand Mexican fans yelling not the nicest things at us," said Reader's partner, Josh Binstock. "But we relish that. I love playing the spoiler, I love being the bad guy. Of course, I love being supported and loved but either way it's fun having that pressure on us."

After Mexico, the duo had to defeat a rival pair to book their ticket to London.

Given that happened July 14 for both pairs, it made for a whirlwind week before the men headed to Austria to refocus on the Games.

"Literally the moment after we won, we were just getting pulled (from all sides)," said Binstock. "And that lasted for the whole week. I don't remember just sitting down and enjoying a meal the whole week."

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Quoted

"It really doesn't matter where we play. We just have to play the best possible."

Canadian beach volleyball player Martin Reader, who doesn't believe the surroundings and conditions will affect his play

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EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	58	38	.604	—
Baltimore	51	45	.531	7
Tampa Bay	49	47	.510	9
Toronto	**48**	**47**	**.505**	**9½**
Boston	48	49	.495	10½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	52	44	.542	—
Chicago	51	45	.531	1
Cleveland	48	48	.500	4
Kansas City	40	55	.421	11½
Minnesota	40	56	.417	12

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	57	38	.600	—
Los Angeles	53	44	.546	5
Oakland	51	44	.537	6
Seattle	42	56	.429	16½

Tuesday's results
Detroit at Cleveland
Tampa Bay at Baltimore
Oakland at **Toronto**
Boston at Texas
Minnesota at Chicago White Sox
Kansas City at L.A. Angels
N.Y. Yankees at Seattle
Monday's results
Texas 9 Boston 1
L.A. Angels 6 Kansas City 3
Chicago White Sox 7 Minnesota 4
N.Y. Yankees 4 Seattle 1
Cleveland 3 Baltimore 1
Wednesday's games
All times Eastern
Minnesota (Blackburn 4-5) at Chicago White Sox (Peavy 7-7), 2:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Hochevar 6-8) at L.A. Angels (Weaver 12-1), 3:35 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Nova 10-4) at Seattle (Iwakuma 1-2), 3:40 p.m.
Detroit (Scherzer 9-5) at Cleveland (D.Lowe 8-8), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Price 13-4) at Baltimore (Mig.Gonzalez 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Griffin 2-0) at **Toronto (R.Romero 8-6)**, 7:07 p.m.
Boston (Beckett 5-8) at Texas (D.Holland 6-5), 8:05 p.m.
Thursday's games
Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 12:35 p.m.
Oakland at **Toronto**, 12:37 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	56	39	.589	—
Atlanta	52	44	.542	4½
New York	47	49	.490	9½
Miami	45	51	.469	11½
Philadelphia	43	54	.443	14

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	56	40	.583	—
Pittsburgh	54	41	.568	1½
St. Louis	50	46	.521	6
Milwaukee	44	51	.463	11½
Chicago	39	56	.411	16½
Houston	34	63	.351	22½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	54	42	.563	—
Los Angeles	53	44	.546	1½
Arizona	48	48	.500	6
San Diego	41	57	.418	14
Colorado	36	59	.379	17½

Tuesday's results
Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh
Milwaukee at Philadelphia
Atlanta at Miami
Washington at N.Y. Mets
Cincinnati at Houston
L.A. Dodgers at St. Louis
Colorado at Arizona
San Diego at San Francisco
Monday's results
Miami 2 Atlanta 1
San Francisco 7 San Diego 1
Philadelphia 7 Milwaukee 6
Arizona 6 Colorado 3
Cincinnati 8 Houston 3
Washington 8 N.Y. Mets 2 (10 inn.)
Chicago Cubs 2 Pittsburgh 0
L.A. Dodgers 5 St. Louis 3
Wednesday's games
Washington (Strasburg 10-4) at N.Y. Mets (Hefner 1-3), 12:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Dempster 5-4) at Pittsburgh (Correia 7-6), 12:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Hanson 10-5) at Miami (Nolasco 8-8), 12:40 p.m.
Milwaukee (Estrada 0-4) at Philadelphia (Worley 5-6), 1:05 p.m.
San Diego (Marquis 3-5) at San Francisco (Lincecum 4-10), 3:45 p.m.
Cincinnati (Bailey 9-6) at Houston (B.Norris 5-8), 8:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Harang 7-5) at St. Louis (Lohse 10-2), 8:15 p.m.
Colorado (Francis 2-2) at Arizona (Cahill 8-8), 9:40 p.m.

NL LEADERS

	G	AB	R	H	Avg.
McCutchen Pgh	91	346	65	129	.373
MeCabrera SF	92	375	66	135	.360
DWright NYM	92	342	62	119	.348
Ruiz Pha	88	292	45	101	.346
Votto Cin	86	298	52	102	.342
CGonzalez Col	88	356	66	117	.329
Holliday StL	93	352	61	113	.321
Posey SF	87	312	41	99	.317
YMolina StL	84	311	39	96	.309
Dan.Murphy NYM	93	347	37	107	.308

Runs — MeCabrera, San Francisco, 66; CGonzalez, Colorado, 66; Bourn, Atlanta, 65; McCutchen, Pittsburgh, 65; DWright, NY, 62; Braun, Milwaukee, 61; Holliday, St. Louis, 61.
RBI — Beltran, St. Louis, 71; Kubel, Arizona, 71; CGonzalez, Colorado, 67; DWright, New York, 67; Braun, Milwaukee, 66; McCutchen, Pittsburgh, 66; Holliday, St. Louis, 63.
Hits — MeCabrera, San Francisco, 135; McCutchen, Pittsburgh, 129; Bourn, Atlanta, 122; DWright, NY, 119; CGonzalez, Colorado, 117; Prado, Atlanta, 114; Holliday, St. Louis, 113.
Doubles — Votto, Cincinnati, 36; ArRamirez, Milwaukee, 32; DanMurphy, New York, 30; DWright, New York, 30; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 29; Cuddyer, Colorado, 28; Ethier, Los Angeles, 25; Holliday, St. Louis, 25; Prado, Atlanta, 25; Ruiz, Philadelphia, 25.
Triples — Fowler, Colorado, 9; Bourn, Atlanta, 8; MeCabrera, San Francisco, 8; SCastro, Chicago, 7; Reyes, Miami, 6; 13 tied at 5.
Home Runs — Braun, Milwaukee, 26; Beltran, St. Louis, 22; McCutchen, Pittsburgh, 22; PAlvarez, Pittsburgh, 21; Kubel, Arizona, 21; CGonzalez, Colorado, 20; Bruce, Cincinnati, 19; Stanton, Miami, 19.
Stolen Bases — DGordon, Los Angeles, 30; Bourn, Atlanta, 28; Bonifacio, Miami, 25; Campana, Chicago, 25; Pierre, Philadelphia, 23; Schafer, Houston, 23; Reyes, Miami, 21; Victorino, Philadelphia, 21.
Tuesday's games not included

BLUE JAYS STATISTICS

BATTING	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
Snider	11	2	4	1	3	.364
Encarnacion	336	62	100	26	67	.298
Lawrie	357	55	100	9	38	.280
Davis	205	35	53	5	25	.259
Escobar	361	48	92	6	34	.255
Mathis	80	15	20	5	9	.250
Rasmus	357	52	88	17	60	.246
Bautista	328	63	80	27	65	.244
Johnson	322	43	77	10	37	.239
Arencibia	277	35	66	15	49	.238
Lind	190	17	45	8	27	.237
Gomes	42	6	9	3	9	.214
Vizquel	80	9	17	0	2	.213
Gose	11	1	1	0	0	.091
PITCHING	**W**	**L**	**SV**	**IP**	**SO**	**ERA**
Mathis	0	0	0	1.0	0	0.00
Happ	0	0	0	0.2	0	0.00
Lyon	0	0	0	1.0	1	0.00
Oliver	2	2	1	36.2	36	1.23
Janssen	1	1	13	37.2	39	2.39
Laffey	2	1	0	39.0	22	2.77
Beck	0	0	0	6.1	5	2.84
Villanueva	5	0	0	56.2	62	2.86
Morrow	7	4	0	77.2	67	3.01
Loup	0	1	0	5.1	2	3.38
Perez	2	2	0	42.0	39	3.43
Frasor	1	1	0	36.0	45	4.00
Hutchison	5	3	0	58.2	49	4.60
Alvarez	6	7	0	119.0	44	4.61
Drabek	4	7	0	71.1	47	4.67
Romero	8	6	0	122.1	84	5.22
Carpenter	0	0	0	3.0	3	6.00
Cecil	2	2	0	32.2	26	6.34
Santos	0	1	2	5.0	4	9.00
Coello	0	1	0	6.1	11	12.79

Tuesday's game not included

AL LEADERS

	G	AB	R	H	Avg.
Trout LAA	75	305	71	109	.357
Mauer Minn	88	325	51	108	.332
MiCabrera Det	96	382	64	126	.330
Konerko ChiW	88	326	44	107	.328
Cano NYY	96	374	64	119	.318
Ortiz Bos	89	320	65	101	.316
Beltre Tex	91	355	55	112	.315
AJackson Det	74	292	59	92	.315
Rios ChiW	94	358	55	112	.313
AEscobar KC	93	347	38	108	.311

Runs — Trout, Los Angeles, 71; Kinsler, Texas, 69; Granderson, New York, 67; Ortiz, Boston, 65; MiCabrera, Detroit, 64; Cano, New York, 64; **Bautista, Toronto, 63;** Choo, Cleveland, 63; De Aza, Chicago, 63; AdJones, Baltimore, 63.
RBI — Hamilton, Texas, 80; MiCabrera, Detroit, 79; Fielder, Detroit, 68; Willingham, Minnesota, 68; ADunn, Chicago, 67; **Encarnacion, Toronto, 67;** Teixeira, New York, 66; Trumbo, Los Angeles, 66.
Hits — MiCabrera, Detroit, 126; Jeter, New York, 124; Cano, New York, 119; Beltre, Texas, 112; AGordon, Kansas City, 112; AdJones, Baltimore, 112; Rios, Chicago, 112.
Doubles — AGordon, Kansas City, 31; Choo, Cleveland, 30; Cano, New York, 28; Kinsler, Texas, 28; Brantley, Cleveland, 27; MiCabrera, Detroit, 27; AdGonzalez, Boston, 27.
Triples — Andrus, Texas, 5; Berry, Detroit, 5; De Aza, Chicago, 5; AJackson, Detroit, 5; Rios, Chicago, 5; ISuzuki, NY, 5; Trout, Los Angeles, 5; JWeeks, Oakland, 5; Zobrist, Tampa Bay, 5.
Home Runs — ADunn, Chicago, 29; Hamilton, Texas, 28; **Bautista, Toronto, 27;** Trumbo, Los Angeles, 27; **Encarnacion, Toronto, 26;** Granderson, NY, 26; MiCabrera, Detroit, 23; Ortiz, Boston, 23; Willingham, Minnesota, 23.
Stolen Bases — Trout, Los Angeles, 31; **RDavis, Toronto, 25;** Kipnis, Cleveland, 21; Revere, Minnesota, 21; Crisp, Oakland, 19; JDyson, KC, 17; DeJennings, Tampa Bay, 17.
Tuesday's games not included

CFL

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Hamilton	4	2	2	0	127	133	4
Toronto	4	2	2	0	106	113	4
Montreal	4	2	2	0	108	139	4
Winnipeg	4	0	4	0	78	141	0

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Saskatchewan	4	3	1	0	121	78	6
Edmonton	4	3	1	0	89	56	6
Calgary	4	2	2	0	147	120	4
B.C.	4	2	2	0	106	102	4

WEEK FIVE
All times Eastern
Thursday's game
Edmonton at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.
Friday's game
Toronto at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's games
Hamilton at Saskatchewan, 6 p.m.
B.C. at Calgary, 9 p.m.
WEEK SIX
Friday, Aug. 3
Montreal at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 6
B.C. at Toronto, 5 p.m.

TENNIS

ATP

BET-AT-HOME CUP
At Kitzbuehel, Austria
Singles — First Round
Ernests Gulbis (7), Latvia, def. Andreas Haider-Maurer, Austria, 2-6, 7-5, 6-1.
Pavol Cervenak, Slovakia, def. Ruben Ramirez Hidalgo, Spain, 4-6, 7-6 (1), 6-3.
Rogerio Dutra Silva, Brazil, def. Jan Hajek, Czech Republic, 4-1, retired.
Philipp Oswald, Austria, def. Daniel Brands, Germany, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.
Simone Bolelli, Italy, def. Horacio Zeballos, Argentina, 7-5, 7-5.

FARMERS CLASSIC
At Los Angeles
Singles — First Round
Michael Russell, United States, def. Jesse Levine, United States, 6-3, 6-4.
Igor Andreev, Russia, def. Dudi Sela, Israel, 7-6 (4), 6-4.

WTA

BAKU CUP
AT Baku, Azerbaijan
Singles — First Round
Julia Cohen, United States, def. Ksenia Pervak (1), Kazakhstan, 6-4, 3-6, 3-2, retired.
Alexandra Panova (2), Russia, def. Sacha Jones, Australia, 7-5, 7-6 (7).
Bojana Jovanovski (5), Serbia, def. Lesia Tsurenko, Ukraine, 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.
Nina Bratchikova (6), Russia, def. Patricia Mayr-Achleitner, Austria, 6-2, 6-4.
Olga Puchkova, Russia, def. Akgul Amanmuradova (7), Uzbekistan, 6-3, 7-6 (12).
Magdalena Rybarikova, Slovakia, def. Eva Birnerova (8), Czech Republic, 6-1, 6-1.
Marta Domachowska, Poland, def. Caroline Garcia, France, 5-6, 7-5, 6-0.
Estrella Cabeza Candela, Spain, def. Ekaterine Gorgodze, Georgia, 6-1, 6-1.
Laura Pous-Tio, Spain, def. Noppawan Lertcheewakarn, Thailand, 6-1, 2-0, retired.
Sandra Zaniewska, Poland, def. Elina Svitolina, Ukraine, 6-1, 7-6 (4).
Alberta Brianti, Italy, def. Zarina Diyas, Kazakhstan, 6-3, 6-1.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Signed OF Henry Urrutia to a minor league contract.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Assigned LHP Matt Talley to Kannapolis (SAL).
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Traded RHP Jose De La Torre to Boston for INF/OF Brent Lillibridge.
DETROIT TIGERS — Optioned 2B Danny Worth to Toledo (IL).
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Announced the retirement of C Jason Kendall.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Reinstated 1B Justin Morneau from the paternity list.
NEW YORK YANKEES — Designated OF Dewayne Wise for assignment.
SEATTLE MARINERS — Optioned 1B Justin Smoak and RHP D.J. Mitchell to Tacoma (PCL). Assigned RHP Danny Farquhar to Tacoma. Recalled OF-DH Mike Carp from Tacoma.
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Reinstated OF Sam Fuld from the 60-day DL. Optioned RHP Brandon Gomes to Durham (IL). Transferred 3B Evan Longoria to the 60-day DL. Assigned RHP Matt Nevarez to Charlotte (FSL).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Reinstated INF John McDonald from the 15-day DL. Designated INF Ryan Roberts for assignment.
HOUSTON ASTROS — Assigned C Jon Carnahan to the Gulf Coast Astros.
NEW YORK METS — Selected the contracts of RHP Manny Acosta and RHP Matt Harvey from Buffalo (IL). Optioned OF Lucas Duda and RHP Pedro Beato to Buffalo.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Agreed to terms with OF Jarrad Page on minor league contract.

BASKETBALL

NBA
BROOKLYN NETS—Signed F Tornike Shengelia.
CHICAGO BULLS — Signed G Marco Belinelli.
HOUSTON ROCKETS — Announced the Chicago Bulls did not match the Rockets three-year offer sheet to C Omer Asik.
NEW ORLEANS HORNETS — Signed C Anthony Davis & G Austin Rivers to 3-year contracts.
NEW YORK KNICKS — Signed G Pablo Prigioni.
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS — Signed F-C Maurice Harkless and C Arnett Moultrie.
WASHINGTON WIZARDS—Signed G A.J. Price.

FOOTBALL

NFL
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Signed S Adrian Wilson to contract extension through 2015 season.
CLEVELAND BROWNS — Signed RB Trent Richardson and QB Brandon Weeden.
DETROIT LIONS — Named Elizabeth Parkinson senior VP of marketing and partnerships.
GREEN BAY PACKERS — Named Ed Policy vice president and general counsel.
HOUSTON TEXANS—Signed G Brandon Brooks.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Signed T Kevin Murphy. Waived T Darrion Weems.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Signed coach Mike Tomlin to a five-year contract. Signed G David DeCastro to a four-year contract.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed CB David Jones. Placed CB Chase Minnifield on the waived/injured list.

HOCKEY

NHL
CAROLINA HURRICANES — Signed D Jay Harrison to a three-year contract extension & F Zach Boychuk to a 1-year, two-way contract.
COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS — Signed D Rya Murray to a three-year, entry-level contract.
NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Matched Philadelphia's 14-year offer sheet to D Shea Weber.

AHL
GRAND RAPIDS GRIFFINS — Signed D Brennan Evans to a one-year contract.
PEORIA RIVERMEN—Named Dustin Flynn trainer.

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
New York	21	11	5	5	37	29	38
Kansas City	21	11	6	4	26	19	37
Houston	21	9	5	7	31	25	34
D.C.	20	10	7	3	34	27	33
Chicago	20	9	7	4	22	22	31
Columbus	18	7	7	4	18	19	25
Montreal	23	7	13	3	30	42	24
New England	20	6	9	5	25	25	23
Philadelphia	18	6	10	2	20	21	20
Toronto	20	5	11	4	24	36	19

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
San Jose	22	13	5	4	44	27	43
Real Salt Lake	22	12	7	3	33	26	39
Vancouver	22	9	6	7	25	26	34
Seattle	20	8	5	7	25	21	31
Los Angeles	22	9	10	3	38	35	30
Chivas USA	19	6	8	5	13	21	23
Colorado	21	7	13	1	27	30	22
Dallas	22	5	10	7	25	30	22
Portland	20	5	11	4	19	35	19

Wednesday's game
All times Eastern
At Chester, Pa.
Chelsea vs. MLS All-Stars, 8:30 p.m.
Friday's game
Vancouver at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
Saturday's games
Houston at Toronto, 4:30 p.m.
New York at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Columbus at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Chicago at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Chivas USA at Portland, 11 p.m.
Sunday's game
New England at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.

OLYMPICS

WOMEN
Wednesday's games
All times Eastern
At Cardiff, Wales
Britain vs. New Zealand, 11 a.m.
Cameroon vs. Brazil, 1:45 p.m.
At Coventry, England
Japan vs. **Canada**, noon
Sweden vs. South Africa, 2:45 p.m.
At Glasgow
U.S. vs. France, Noon
Colombia vs. North Korea, 2:45 p.m.

MEN
Thursday's games
At Glasgow
Honduras vs. Morocco, 7 a.m.
Spain vs. Japan, 9:45 a.m.
At Newcastle
Mexico vs. South Korea, 9:30 a.m.
Gabon vs. Switzerland, 12:15 p.m.
At Manchester
United Arab Emirates vs. Uruguay, Noon
Britain vs. Senegal, 3 p.m.
At Coventry
Belarus vs. New Zealand, 2:45 p.m.
At Cardiff
Brazil vs. Egypt, 2:45 p.m.

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More space

Dimensionally, the five-passenger Santa Fe is similar to the 2012 Santa Fe, as both have identical distance between the front and rear wheels. The upcoming seven-passenger Santa Fe, however, is about 21.5 centimetres longer overall and has 16 per cent more cargo space behind the second-row seat.

AWD system

Hyundai will allow you to match your selected engine with its latest all-wheel-drive setup. The system includes what Hyundai calls Torque Vectoring Corner Control (TVCC) that continuously monitors driving conditions and can instantly direct the correct amount of power or braking force to any single wheel at a time.

2013 Hyundai Santa Fe

- **Type.** Four-door, front- /all-wheel-drive wagon.
- **Engines (hp):** 2.4-litre DOHC I4 (190); 2.0-litre DOHC I4, turbocharged (264); 3.3-litre DOHC V6 (290).
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 10.4/7.0 (2.4, est.).
- **Base Price:** $26,000 (est.).

Engines

The seven-passenger Santa Fe is understandably heftier than the five-passenger — by more than 180 kilograms, actually — which explains why it's sole powerplant is a 290-horsepower 3.3-litre V6 that replaces the previously optional 274-horsepower 3.5-litre V6.

Conversely, the five-passenger model, now lighter than the outgoing Santa Fe by an impressive 121 kilograms, can be had with a base 190-horsepower 2.4-litre four-cylinder, or an optional 264-horsepower 2.0-litre turbocharged four-cylinder.

Regardless of your chosen engine, a six-speed automatic transmission with manual shift controls is all that's offered.

Review. Two sizes to keep families of all sizes on the move

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So, two sizes of the 2013 Hyundai Santa Fe are on the menu. It seems familiar.

Mitsubishi recently got the ball rolling in this direction for the 2011 model year when it introduced the RVR in Canada, which is a shortened version of its regular-length Outlander. On a grander scale, General Motors and Ford employ this approach with their big-and-beefy sport utes while a number of minivans once offered two body sizes. Even Hyundai-owned Kia made two lengths of its Sedona minivan.

But since passenger-car-based tall wagons have replaced much of the minivan trade, Hyundai is also applying the two-sizes-fits-all approach to its third-generation Santa Fe that launches later this summer.

Actually it's the shorter-wheelbase five-passenger iteration that arrives first, followed by the extended-length seven-passenger Santa Fe in early 2013. The face of each, while differing slightly, features Hyundai's signature hexagonal grille.

A prominent crease extending along each side and flowing over the taillights replaces the previous Santa Fe's more rounded look. The entire design is both conservative, yet entirely stylish, and should be greeted by approving nods from most shoppers.

As of this writing, pricing has yet to be released, but the five-passenger model will likely start at about $26,000 (including destination charges), with the longer Santa Fe adding roughly $4,000. Both promise to provide spirited performance and impressive fuel economy as their primary virtues, with good looks and practical packaging also coming along for the ride.

Current Hyundai design philosophy carries through into the interior with integration of numerous geometric shapes.

Storage bins below the load floor keep personal belongings away from prying eyes.

By comparison

1 Toyota RAV4
Base price: $26,500

2 Mitsubishi Outlander
Base price: $27,600

3 Dodge Journey
Base price: $22,500

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Out of 34 brands, Porsche came in second in "initial quality," but that begs the question: who in their right mind would actually have any complaints about a Porsche 911 in the first place? When you love a car enough to spend $100,000, it can't be that bad, even if it might actually be that bad. WHEELBASE

Quality: An emotional thing?

Auto Know.
Somehow, 'quality' has come down to whether you're mad at the stereo ...

TODD D. BURLAGE
Wheelbase Media

As it has been drilled into our heads time and again, it's not the quantity that matters, it's the quality. Unless you're an automaker, that is, and then you need both.

Over time, you would think that they would learn a thing or two about building cars, and the latest quality reports would certainly bear that out.

But surprisingly, it's not the lower volume of complaints — a rather subjective determining factor of "quality" — that's interesting. It's the actual gripes that owners have ... about fiddly systems that really have nothing to do with the cars themselves.

But let's begin at, where else, the beginning.

J.D. Power and Associates 2012 Initial Quality Study (IQS) shows that new vehicles have never been more reliable, which should come as no real shock.

The IQS results — an important barometer of success and failure for automakers around the world — were based on responses from 74,000 buyers and lessees of new 2012 model-year vehicles, who were surveyed after 90 days of ownership.

The findings showed that 26 of the 34 vehicle brands used in the study improved their scores from the 2011 IQS, with only five backsliding and three remaining the same. The study looked at two distinct categories: design-related issues; and equipment defects and malfunctions.

"It's a testament to how manufacturers are listening to the voice of the consumer and then embed that across the board, from product planning, to manufacturing, to the dealer," director of automotive research for J.D. Power, Raffi Festekjian, said of the high industry-wide safety marks.

The news is notable because IQS results are used extensively by manufacturers worldwide to help them improve design, and by consumers to help them make educated decisions when purchasing a new vehicle.

J.D. Power noted that vehicle brands that rank in the top 10 of the IQS have a significantly higher loyalty rate — measured by repeat buyers — than vehicles with more quality problems and lower IQS scores.

Lexus — Toyota's luxury line and a usual frontrunner in initial quality — topped the list for the second year with an average of 73 problems reported per every 100 vehicles, or less than one documented complaint for every new Lexus sold.

For more evidence of the U.S. automakers' rebound, General Motors had its best year ever in the study with a 99 IQS score and a No. 12 ranking. And Chevrolet, Cadillac and Ram all rated above the industry average.

"This is a positive indication of how widespread high quality is among automakers," said David Sargent, vice president of global automotive at J.D. Power. "This is without a doubt the best level of quality we've ever seen."

Jaguar showed the most improvement on the 2012 list, tying with Porsche for second place in the rankings, which is up 18 spots from 2011 when Jaguar ranked 20th.

Fiat and Smart tied for last on the list with an IQS score of 151, or about 1.5 reported problems for each of the 2012 vehicles these two manufacturers sold. The industry average was a 102 score, a five-per-cent overall improvement from the 2011 IQS results.

And as has become the norm in recent years, Japan-based brands dominated the rankings by placing five makes — Lexus, Honda, Acura, Infiniti and Toyota — in the top 10, and seven in the top 15. These snapshot ratings and improvements for 2012 are good news for buyers and automakers. But looking back 10 years gives a clearer picture of how far initial quality has come in the industry. Since 2002, nearly every brand studied has made a significant quality improvement — well, fewer complaints, at least — strong evidence that carmakers are becoming more efficient and knowledgeable in the design and production process. The gap between the best in the industry and the worst has also consistently narrowed in the last 10 years.

Despite making superb vehicles, Ford took a shellacking in a "quality" survey, largely based on its touch screen interface. WHEELBASE

"The good news is that the (auto) industry has made major improvements, across the board," Festekjian said.

And while the traditional quality problems have dramatically dropped during the last decade, J.D. Power noted in its 2012 findings that the nature of quality complaints is evolving right alongside the modern car designs and technologies.

Defects related to mechanical issues — anything from engine failures to a faulty turn signal — were down sharply. But reports of problems with factory-installed hands-free communication systems have more than doubled since 2009, as this technology becomes standard in more vehicles every year.

And for the first time in the 26-year history of J.D. Power's IQS, vehicle owners reported more problems related to audio and navigation systems than in any other area. Flaws in voice recognition technology produced the most complaints, but is this really a measure of vehicle "quality?"

"Automakers and suppliers are working hard to make the driving experience safer, more convenient and more entertaining," Sargent said. "However, the most innovative technology in the world will quickly create dissatisfaction if owners can't get it to work."

Ford was hit hardest by technological glitches in both the 2011 and 2012 quality studies, in large part because of the MyFord Touch and MyLincoln Touch in-car vehicle info and control systems. Ford ranked only 27th out of 34 in 2012, a big drop from its uninspiring 23rd ranking in 2011.

And Sargent said Ford had better get its technology act together if it wants to compete because these high-tech systems have already become "the battleground" among manufacturers in terms of attracting new consumers.

"As smartphones become ubiquitous in the lives of consumers and are ever-more sophisticated," he said, "expectations about the complementary technologies being offered in new models will only get higher."

Still, not understanding the stereo is not exactly the same complaint as breakdowns and expensive mechanical problems, but they all carry considerable weight in a problems-per-100-vehicles scenario.

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Drive and save: 7 tips for saving your driving dollars

KATHY ULLYOTT
For Metro

Now that a tank of gas costs as much as a meal out (a fancy, romantic one if you drive an SUV), it's worthwhile saving every nickel you can — and that doesn't necessarily mean leaving your ride in the garage.

1. Properly inflating your tires can save you 3.3 per cent in fuel costs. Look for the manufacturer's recommended air pressure in your owner's manual, and check your pressure once a month.

2. Buy tires with a low rolling resistance (LRR). Elizabeth Lewis, manager of community and corporate relations for Bridgestone Americas, Inc., says Bridgestone's fuel-efficiency tires, for example, can save enough at the pump to pay for themselves in four years.

3. Slow down. Driving 120 km/h rather than 100 km/h burns approximately 12 per cent more fuel.

4. Drive smoothly. Your car burns the most fuel while accelerating, so tramping on the gas and stamping on the brake between every traffic light wastes a lot.

5. Check your air filter regularly and clean or replace it when it's dirty.

6. Go easy on the air conditioner, which can eat up to 10 per cent of your fuel when running. Try to park in the shade, use a windshield reflector when you're not driving and drive for the first few minutes with your windows down to give your A/C some help.

7. Don't lug a lot. The more weight you carry, the more gas you use.

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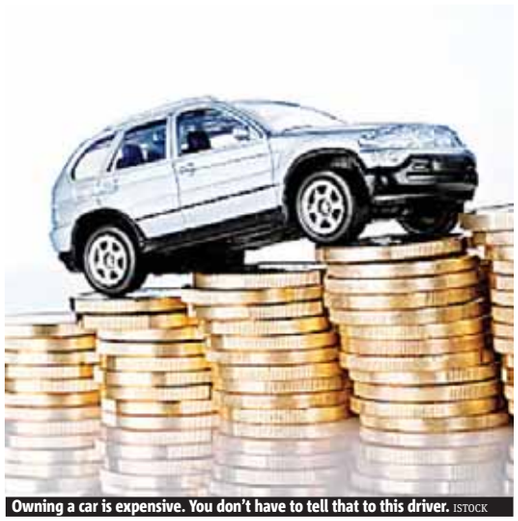

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
You may have to hurt someone's feelings but as you are doing it for the right motives, they won't hold it against you. If something difficult needs to be said, you can be counted on to say it.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
If you are unhappy with your current situation, either at home or at work, now is the time to change it. The planets will help you to make the break you have been dreaming of for months, maybe even years.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
There is no point kicking up a fuss if you get the blame for something that was not entirely your fault. The simple fact is colleagues and employers are in no mood to listen, so take the criticism then move on.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Make it your business to spread a little happiness today. If you approach life with a smile on your face it will not only help others feel better but will make things a lot easier for you as well.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
If you have overlooked details of any kind, it will become obvious today and you will have no choice but to go back and take care of them. Don't make a fuss, just do what you should have done before.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
While in one area of your life you are moving ahead in leaps and bounds, in another you are standing still, much to your frustration. Don't worry. It simply means you are not quite ready for a particular challenge.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Today's Sun-Neptune link will make you more touchy than usual, so watch out you don't get upset by the kind of petty things that would usually sail right over your head.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You may be eager to start something new but the planets advise you to bide your time and let things proceed at their own pace. That may be a slow pace by your standards but things will pick up soon enough.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
What do you want most from life? What would you wish for if you knew that your wish would come true? Well start wishing because the planets are so in your favour now that it's a case of "when", not "if".

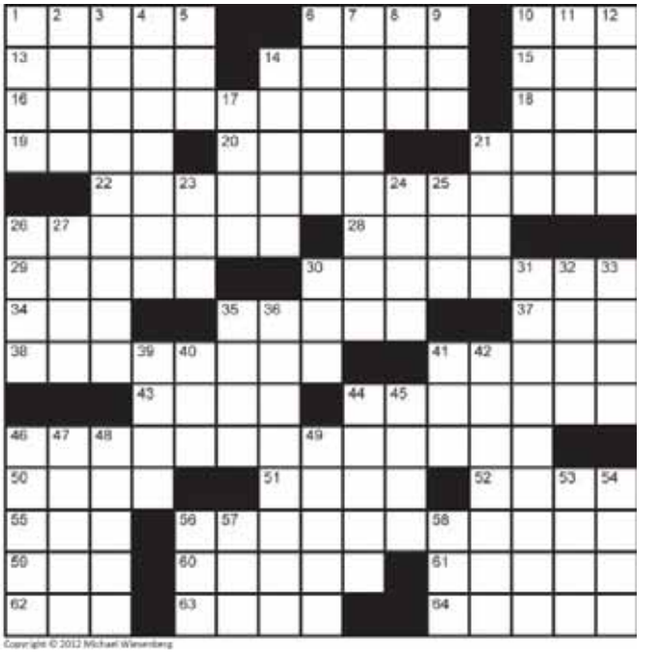
♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Something you learn today will challenge your way of looking at the world. It may not be a comfortable experience but you must allow it to happen and you must allow your mind to move to a higher level.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You don't have to change course just because others do not approve of what you are doing. In fact, the more opposition you face today the more certain you can be that you are doing the right thing.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Huge changes are on the horizon, and the horizon is getting closer. Are you ready for the challenges that these upheavals will spark, both in your personal life and in your work? SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canadian Cities

BY MICHAEL WIESENBERG



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Across
1. Composer Previn
6. American RCAF counterpart
10. One in elected office
13. Traditional customs
14. Memory muse
15. ___ Lingus
16. NB capital
18. Sgt.'s underling
19. Ship's spar
20. Cuba, to Cubans
21. Et ___: and others
22. Off-island suburb northwest of 38-Across
26. What's new
28. Vishnu incarnation
29. Alkenes
30. Port at the west end of Lake Ontario
34. Name of eight Eng. kings
35. It treat brains disorders, particularly Parkinson's disease
37. Messenger ___
38. 1976 Summer Games locale
41. Over
43. Norway's Patron saint
44. NHL Hall of Fame locale
46. City in Mauricie region of Quebec at confluence of Saint-Maurice and Saint Lawrence Rivers
50. Fidel's brother
51. Per ___: daily allowance
52. Biblical hit
55. Rearwards
56. Suburb of Toronto where are located the Canadian headquarters of several major international companies, including Hewlett-Packard, Microsoft, PepsiCo, General Electric, Siemens, Fujitsu, Walmart Canada
59. "___ Only Had a Brain"
60. Punster's reward
61. Novelist Sinclair who won a Pulitzer for *Dragon's Teeth* in 1943
62. Prevaricate
63. Without
64. Ale and porter

Down
1. Kind of radio
2. Nick's *Thin Man* wife
3. Chew out
4. Common North American hawk, named for its plumage color
5. Siam tail
6. What someone might cry to give up
7. Arranged an ambush
8. I love: Lat.
9. Boggy marsh
10. Symbolic Canadian leaf
11. 501s, e.g.
12. Swing's Shaw
14. Sprays
17. Encircle
21. Sea between Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan
23. Special connections
24. W. Syrian city on the Orontes River
25. Queen's recording label
26. Be crawling (with)
27. ___ China
30. Dec. 25 or Jan. 1
31. Metamorphose
32. "Step ___!": "Hurry up!"
33. Small iPod
35. Regan and Goneril's father
36. Town located halfway between Saskatoon and Regina
39. Labor
40. *Treasure Island* author, bibliographically
41. Airport monitor abbr.
42. Flips out
44. Link
45. Computer parts resellers, for short (anagram of SOME)
46. BC City on the Columbia River near the US border
47. One-named singer of children's songs
48. Certain navel, slangily
49. They're checked at some borders
53. Dr. Frankenstein's lab assistant, in films
54. Mementos of beach vacations
56. Classic British sports cars
57. A Gershwin brother
58. U-boat

Friday's crossword

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	5	6				7	2	
4								5
		5	3	1	9	6		
		4	6	5	2	1		
1								9
	6	2				3	8	
	7		8		5		6	

Friday's Sudoku

7	6	9	5	1	2	8	4	3
4	1	5	9	3	8	6	2	7
3	2	8	7	6	4	1	5	9
2	8	7	1	5	3	9	6	4
1	9	4	8	2	6	3	7	5
5	3	6	4	9	7	2	1	8
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